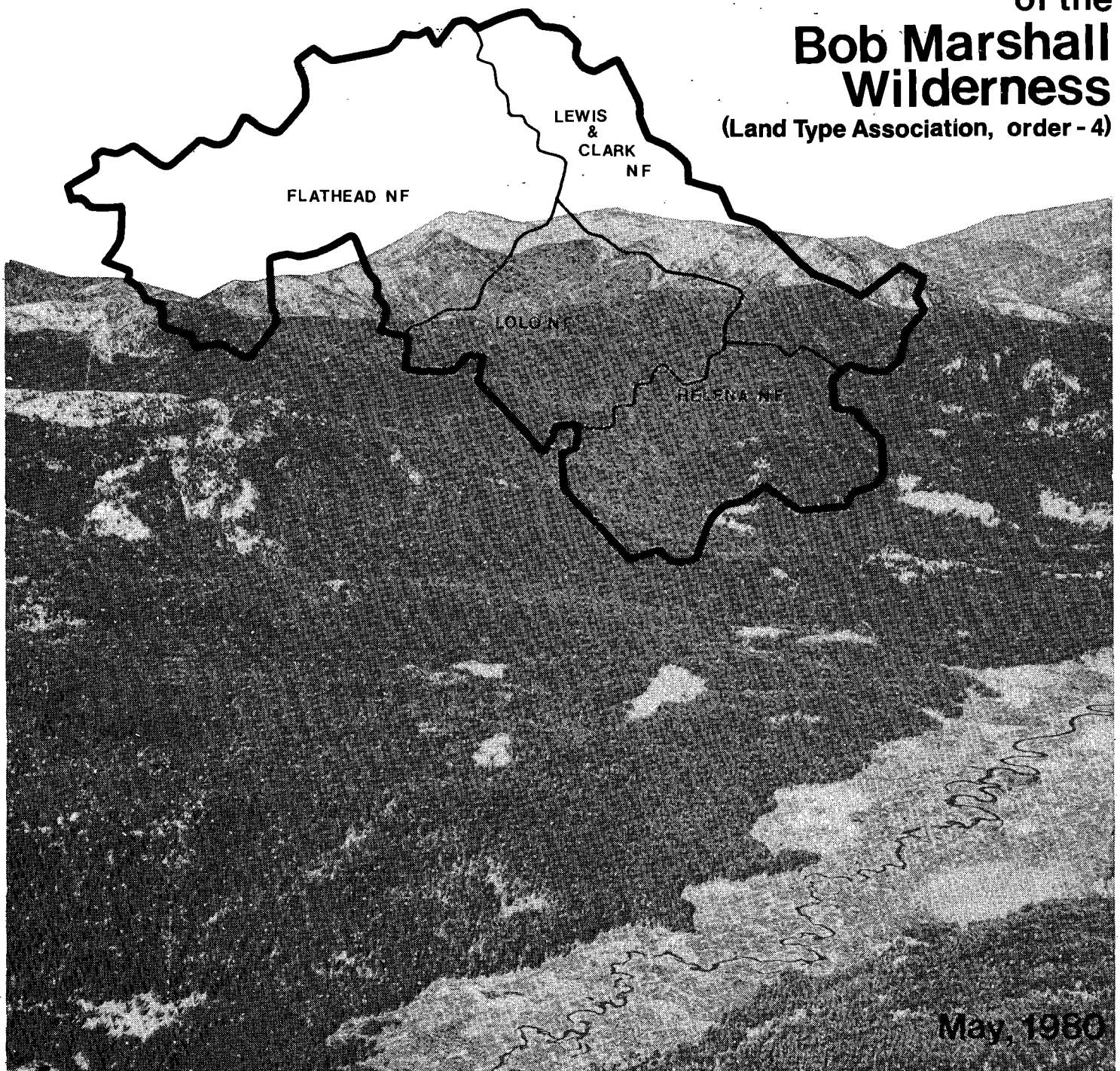


# Land System Inventory of the Scapegoat and Danaher portion of the **Bob Marshall Wilderness**

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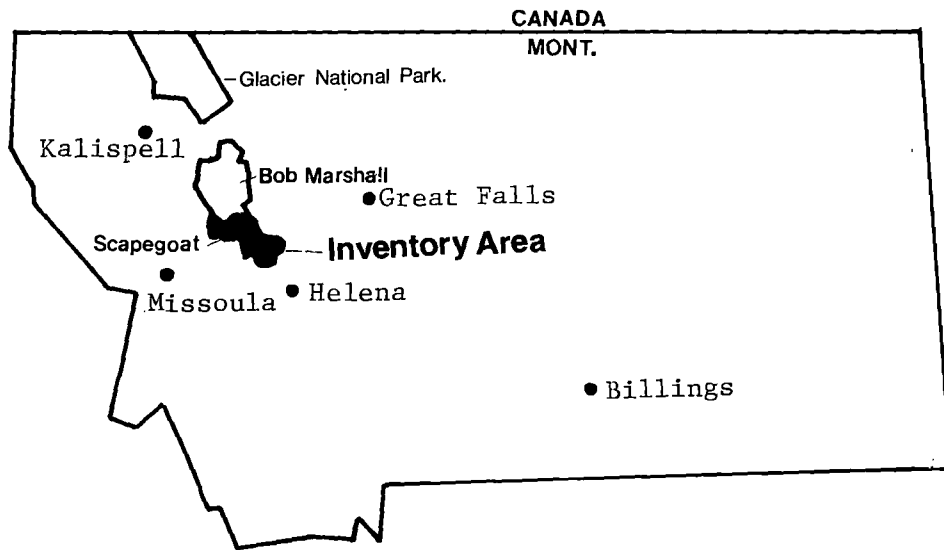
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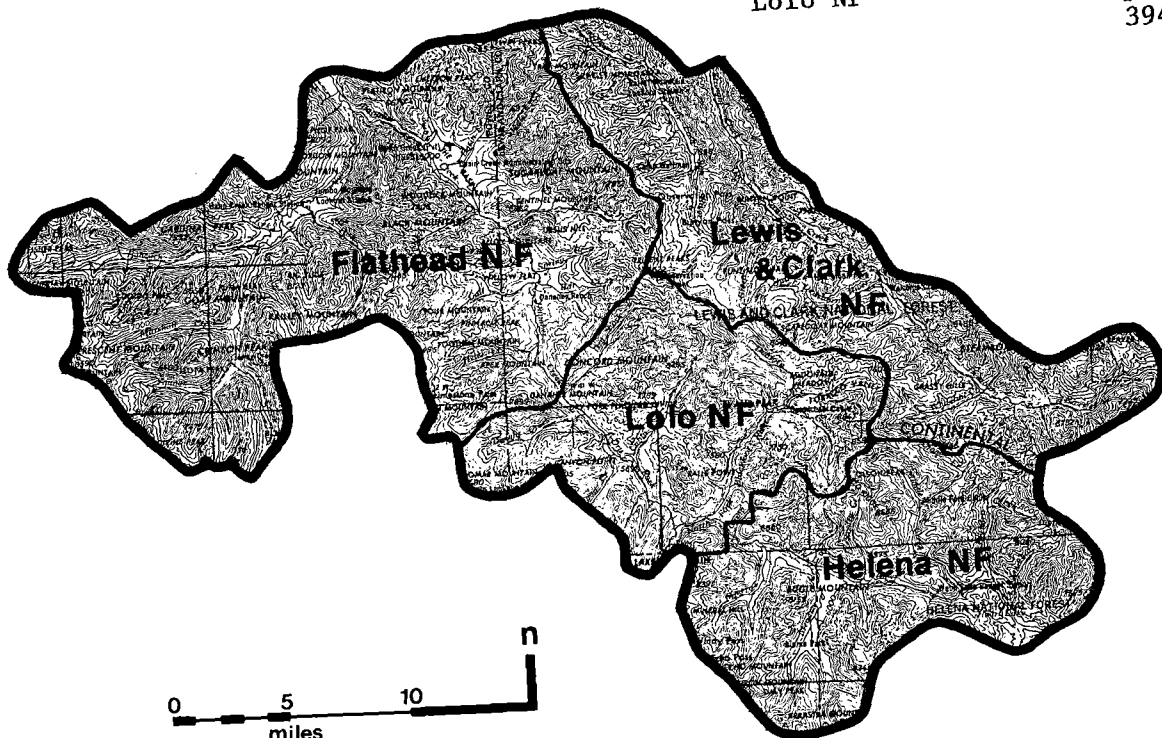
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## Vicinity Map



Flathead NF	- 166,145 acres
Helena NF	- 133,890 acres
Lewis & Clark NF	- 53,250 acres
Lolo NF	- 40,960 acres
	<u>394,245 acres</u>



## INTRODUCTION

This inventory of landforms, soils and habitat types within the Scapegoat Wilderness and Danaher portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness is an Order 4 Land Type Association as defined in Land System Inventory publication by USDA, Forest Service - Northern Region, dated July 1976 (R1-76-20). Mapping units are designed to produce analysis units with similar response to wilderness management. The principal management practice considered is fire management, but properties influencing wildlife habitat, watershed behavior, and wilderness recreation were also considered.

The map was prepared during the summer of 1978, by delineating landform and vegetative patterns visible on one inch equals one mile scale photography. The landform, soil properties and habitat type of these landscape units were then characterized in the field. Approximately 30 man-days of soil scientist and plant ecologist time were devoted to field characterization. Additional data from similar lands previously mapped at the most intensive land type level on adjacent areas of the Flathead, Lewis and Clark and Helena National Forests was extrapolated into the study area to characterize the mapping units.

This report covers nearly 400,000 acres of the Scapegoat Wilderness and the Danaher portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness. This Land Type Association mapping legend and these soil, vegetation and fire behavior interpretations will cover the complete Bob Marshall, Great Bear and Mission Mountain Wildernesses, for an additional 925,000 acres. Pre-mapping of these areas will be completed in 1980, and field checking will be completed in 1981 and 1982.

Low elevation flood plains were subdivided into three units. The first includes tree-covered stream bottoms with low fire occurrence (LTA I). The second unit has wet meadows with low to moderate fire occurrence (LTA Ia). A third subdivision includes the low terraces with mixed grasslands on coarse soils and timber patches on fine-textured soil (LTA Ib).

High elevation glacial tills (LTA II) occur in cirque basins and are characterized by low fire occurrence, heavy fuels and a high precipitation zone.

Low elevation glacial tills (LTA III) have a moderate fire occurrence, very heavy fuels, and can be sediment producers. These were further subdivided into silty and clayey parent materials on slightly different landforms (LTA IIIa).

Slump lands (LTA IV) are historic land failures. These units have a low to very low fire occurrence, very heavy fuels and are a high sediment source.



Residual soils (LTA V) occur on mountain slopes. This group is subdivided into units based on aspect, elevation, vegetation and stream dissection. High elevation ridges in high precipitation zones require long periods of time for revegetation after a fire (LTA Va). Forested cool aspect units have a low to moderate fire occurrence with large fuel accumulations (LTA Vb and Vc). Forested and grassland warm aspect units have moderate to high fire occurrence, with low to moderate fuel accumulations (LTA Vd and Ve). Further divisions are based on the degree of stream dissection which will influence fire behavior.

Peaks and alpine ridges (LTA VI) are sparsely vegetated rockland, in a high precipitation zone, with low fuel accumulation and a long recovery time.

Breaklands are steep slopes that are subdivided into cool (LTA VII) and warm (LTA VIII) aspects. Cool aspect breaklands are characterized by low fire occurrence and high fuel concentrations, usually in a high sediment delivery zone. Warm aspect breaklands have a moderate fire occurrence, low to moderate fuel accumulations and long vegetative recovery time due to thin soils on hot steep slopes.

The level of accuracy and reliability of mapping is considered adequate for the decisions made in wilderness planning. However, the map should not be used as a source for site-specific data occasionally required for administration of heavily used camp areas, recreation stock pastures, or the trail system. These require additional on-the-ground investigations.

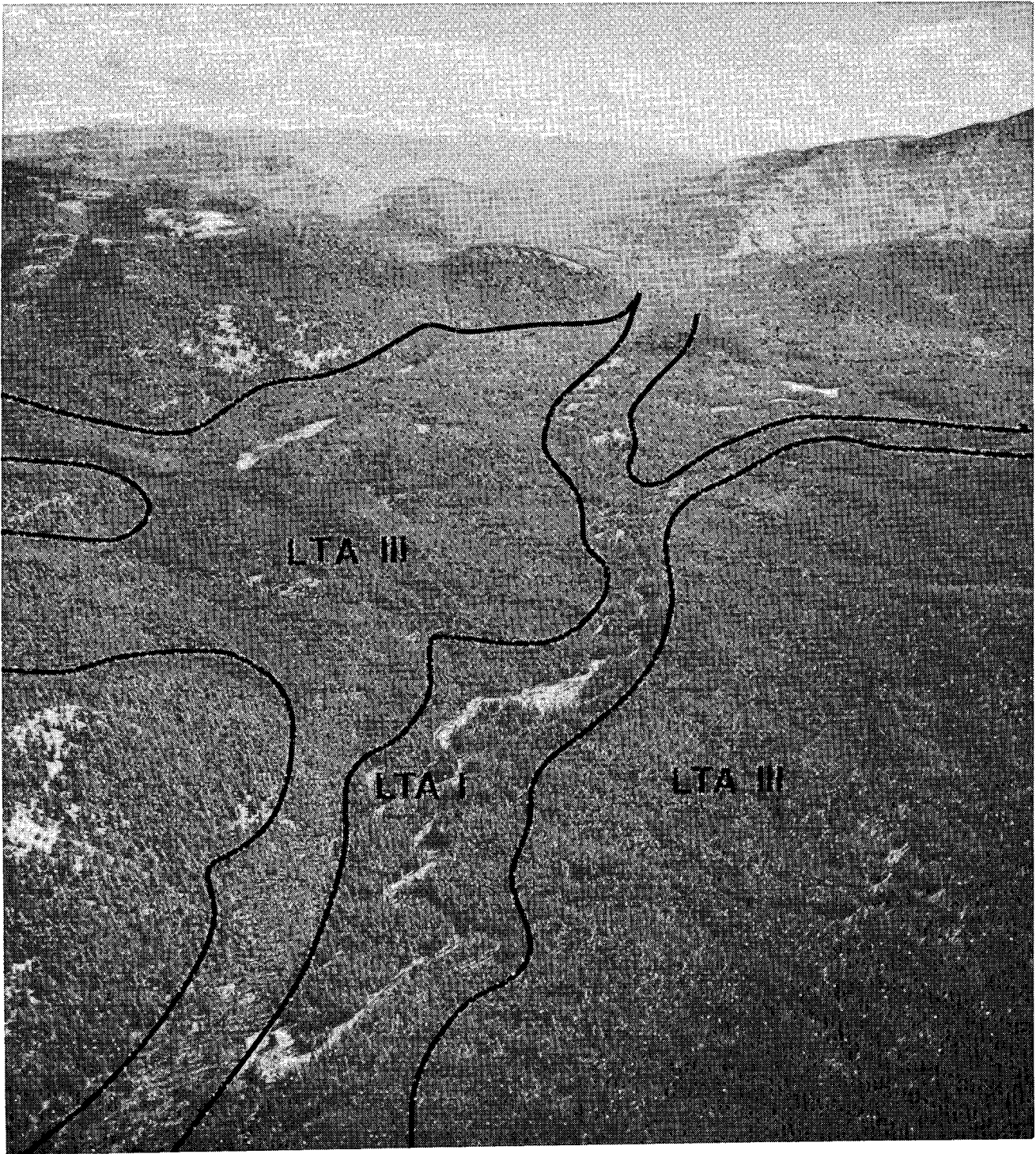
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DANAHER - SCAPEGOAT

LAND TYPE ASSOCIATION LEGEND

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Name of Mapping Unit</u>
I	Forested Flood Plains
Ia	Wet, Grass-sedge Meadows
Ib	Grass & Forested Stream Terraces
II	Glacial Cirque Basins
III	Forested Ground Moraine
IIIa	Forested Steep Lateral Moraine
IV	Slump Land
Va	Forested High Elevation Ridges
Vb	Forested Smooth Residual Slopes
Vc	Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes
Vd	Forested and Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes
VI	Peaks and Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rock Land
VII	Forested, Cool Aspect Break Lands
VIII	Forested, Warm Aspect Break Lands

## East Fork Of The North Fork Of The Blackfoot River



**LTA I : Forested Flood Plain**

**LTA III: Forested Glacial Ground Moraine**

## Forested Flood Plains

## LTA I

Nearly level to gently sloping low flood plains and associated glacial stream terraces supporting coniferous forest vegetation. Streams are 3rd to 6th order. Elevations range from 4,500 to 5,500 feet M.S.L. Precipitation ranges from 25 to 35 inches with about 40 to 60 percent coming as snow. The lesser amount is at the lower elevations. Fluctuating water tables subirrigate deep rooted trees and shrubs on much of this land type association. Most areas are subject to spring flooding. This mapping unit occurs as the lowest component in the landscape, hence accumulates cold air from surrounding areas. Late spring and early summer frosts are common. Temperature inversions often trap smoke in the valleys, especially in the fall.

Vegetation is principally mixed lodgepole pine, spruce and subalpine fir forest. Cottonwood and willow occur as small inclusions on wet areas. Stands are frequently uneven aged.

Dominant habitat types include ABLA/LIBO and PICEA/LIBO on the better drained soils. PICEA/SMST and ABLA/GATR occur on the somewhat poorly drained silty soils. PICEA/EQAR occurs on the poorly drained soils with the water table at or near the surface during most of the growing season.

This land type association is estimated to contain 60 percent PICEA or ABLA/LIBO, 30 percent PICEA/SMST or ABLA/GATR and 10 percent PICEA/EQAR occurring in complex patterns depending upon depth to water table.

The soils are developed in parent materials ranging from silty lacustrine and alluvium to alluvial sands and gravels. Included are small areas of glacial tills, outwash terraces and grass meadows in old beaver ponds. The well drained soils are mostly loamy profiles over stratified sand and gravel and are classified as Fluvents. The somewhat poorly drained soils are loamy or silty profiles over stratified sand and gravels with a seasonal water table. They are classified as Aquents and Aquepts. The poorly drained soils are mostly silty soils with a dark surface, classified as Aquolls and have ground water at or near the surface most of the year. Grass meadows have a peat surface and are Histic Integrades.

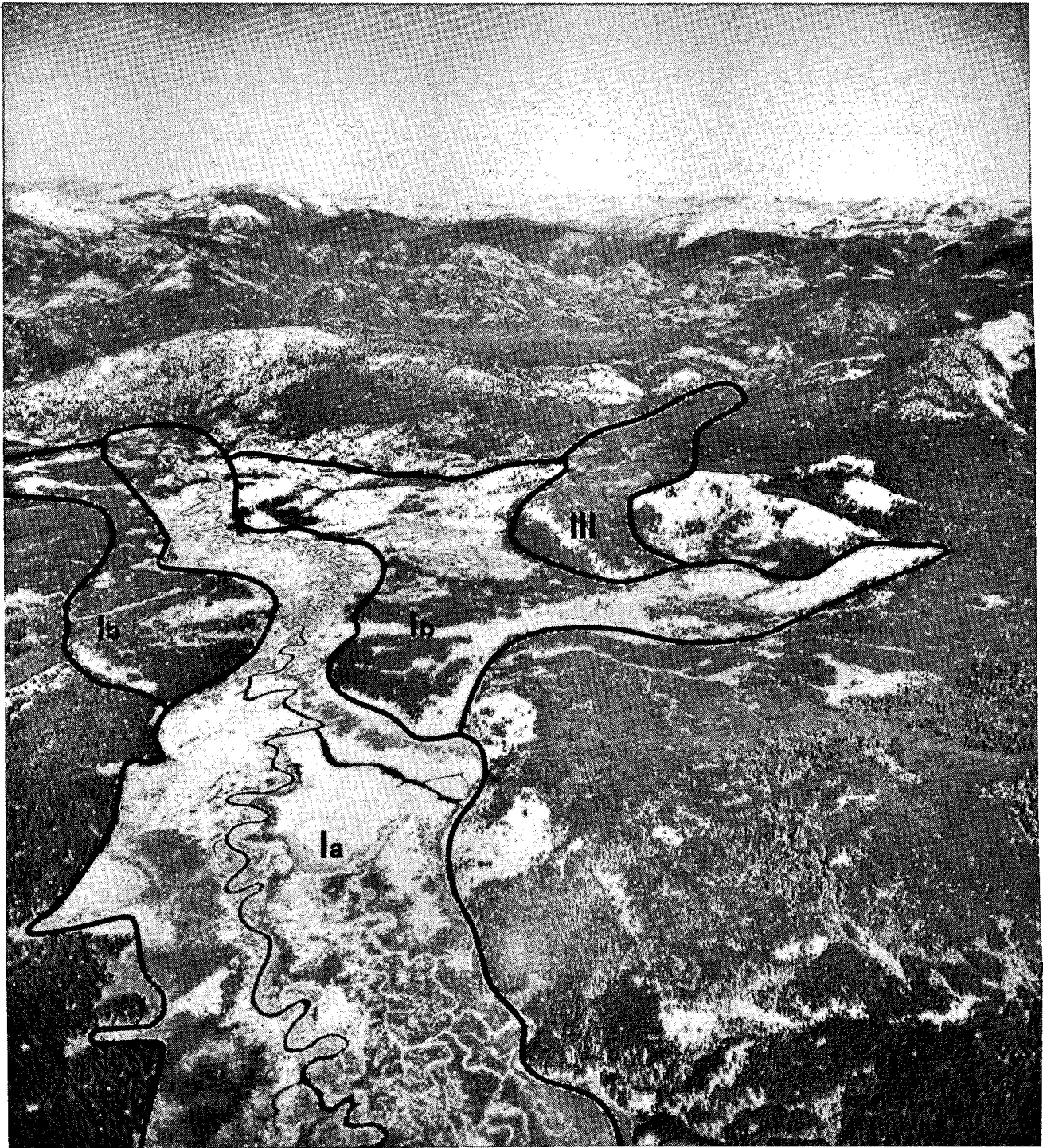
These soils have a range in productivity due to the complexity of soils and depth to water table. Trees are subject to windthrow due to shallow or wet soils; however, topographic position and multi-storied stands minimize this hazard. Sediment production is low and limited to streamside erosion. Most streams have a gravel bottom.

This mapping unit is identified on the aerial photos by topographic position, stream channels and riparian vegetation.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 9. All included habitat types were assigned to this group by Clayton, except for PICEA/LIBO. In this unit, PICEA/LIBO behaves similarly to ABLA/LIBO. Clayton's description of stand structure and succession for this fire behavior group are consistent with observations of this land type association.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is rapid.

## Danaher Basin - Bar Creek



**LTA Ia : Wet, Grass - Sedge Meadows**

**LTA Ib : Grass & Forested Stream Terraces**

**LTA III : Forested Glacial Ground Moraine**

## Wet, Grass-sedge Meadows

## LTA Ia

Nearly level, wet, lowland areas on alluvial bottoms and in old lake basins. Streams are 3rd to 6th order and typically meander. Elevations range from 4,500 to 5,200 feet M.S.L. Precipitation ranges from 25 to 35 inches with about 40 percent coming as snow. This mapping unit has a water table at or near the surface for most of the year. Native hay was cut on this unit for winter feed as part of a ranching operation in the early 1900's. This mapping unit is the lowest in the landscape and accumulates cold air from the surrounding areas. Late spring and early summer frosts are common. Temperature inversions often trap smoke in the valleys, especially in the fall.

The vegetation is principally water-tolerant shrubs, such as bog birch and willow. Understory vegetation includes water tolerant sedges and rushes.

The soils are developed in a complex of parent materials ranging from alluvial silts, sands and gravels to lake-laid silty deposits with inclusions of thin organic deposits mainly in depressions and old beaver ponds. Soils are classified as Aquepts, Aquents, Aquolls, some with organic surface layers (Histic Integrades). The water table is at or near the surface most of the year.

This mapping unit is identified by a non-forest grass and shrub vegetation in broad basin bottoms adjacent to streams. Landforms are nearly level and low in topographic position.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 0 by Clayton. His description of the meadow component of this group is consistent with observations of this land type association.

Erosion hazards are low; however, because of the silty nature of stream banks within the land type association, erosion of stream banks due to increased streamflow following fire can be a major source of suspended sediment. Vegetative recovery following fire is rapid.



## **The Basin**



**LTA I : Forested Flood Plain**

**LTA Ib : Grass & Forested Stream Terraces**

**LTA III : Forested Glacial Ground Moraine**

## Grass & Forested Stream Terraces

LTA 1b

Nearly level to gently sloping, well drained glacial outwash and alluvial deposits on stream terraces and alluvial fans. Vegetation includes an association of coniferous forest with sagebrush and bunchgrasses. Elevation ranges from 4,800 to 5,200 feet M.S.L. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 30 inches with about 40 percent coming as snow. This mapping unit is low in the landscape and accumulates cold air from the surrounding areas. Late spring and early summer frosts are common. Temperature inversions often trap smoke in the valleys, especially the fall.

The vegetation is principally lodgepole pine in the forested areas. The grasslands are either sagebrush or bunchgrass, depending upon subsoil moisture-holding capacity. Soils with droughty subsoils support bunchgrass. Forest habitat types are ABLA/VACA or PICEA/VACA, depending upon elevation. FESC/FEID occurs on the droughty gravelly soils and ARTR/FESC on gravelly subirrigated alluvial fans. The distribution of vegetative types is clearly controlled by soil moisture-holding relationships.

Soils have developed in parent materials that include loamy outwash sand and gravels, coarse alluvium and inclusions of glacial scoured sandstones and shales.

Soils in the forested areas are classified as Typic Cryoboralfs. Grassland areas are classified as Typic Cryoborolls and Argic Cryoborolls.

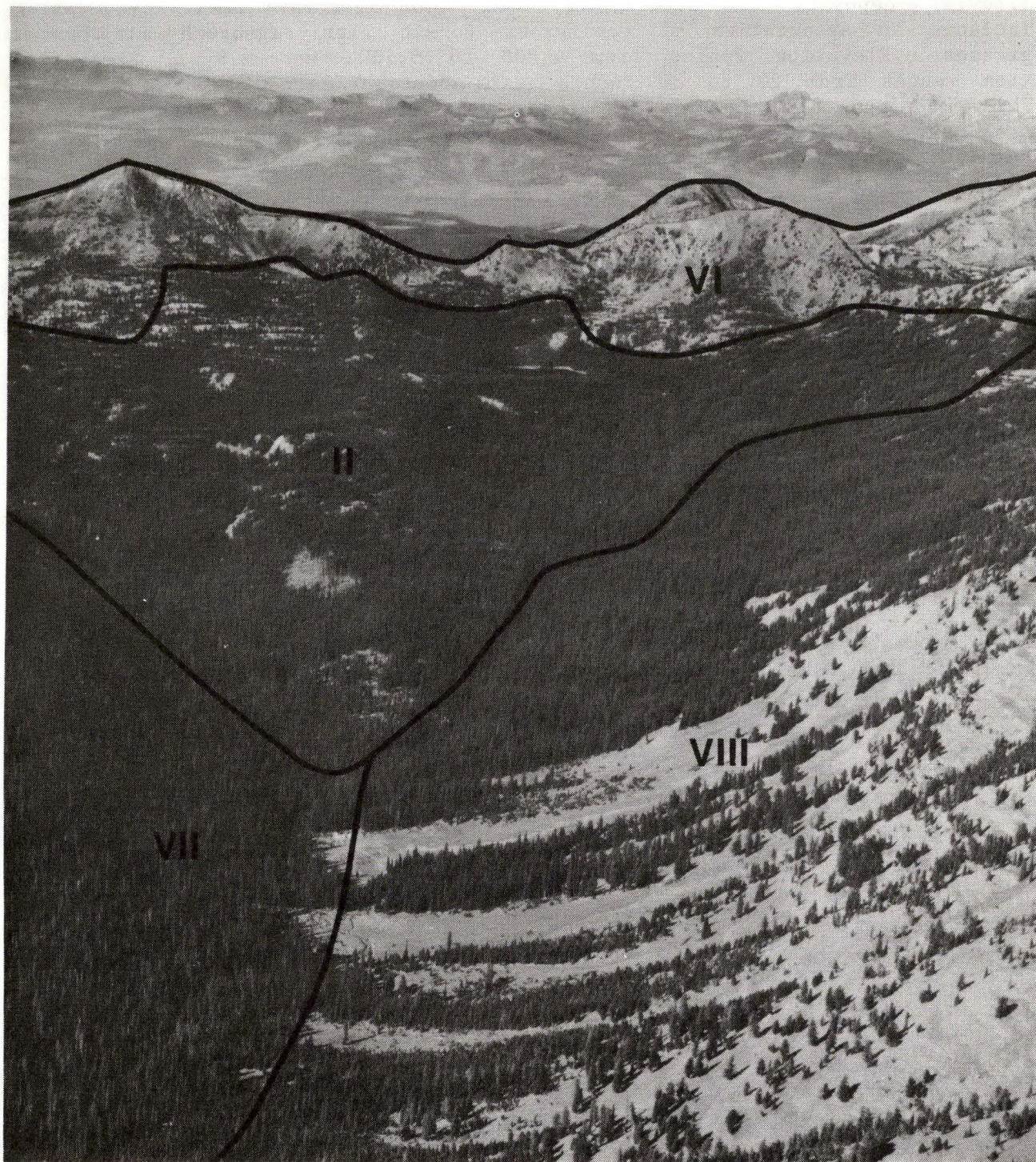
This mapping unit is identified by an association of forest and grasslands with low relief on stream terraces along major drainage ways.

This land type association is a complex of Clayton's fire groups 7 and 0, occurring in a pattern too complex to map separately. His description of the grassy bald component of group 0 seems to fit the grassland component of this unit.

The erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is rapid.



## Pyramid Peak



**LTA II : Glacial Cirque Basin**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**

**LTA VII: Forested, Cool Aspect Breaklands**

**LTA VIII: Forested, Warm Aspect Breaklands**



Sloping to moderately steep glacial cirque basins formed by alpine glaciation on the lee side of major mountain ridges. Topography includes both concave basins and a step and threshold topography connecting a series of basins. Parent materials include an association of local glacial drift and glacially scoured bedrock. Elevation ranges from about 6,000 to 7,500 feet M.S.L. Precipitation ranges from 30 inches in the eastern part of the study area to more than 70 inches in the western part. Approximately 60 percent comes as snow. Snow comes early in the fall and does not melt until midsummer. The growing season is short. Early snow accumulation prevents these soils from freezing, hence snowmelt adds water to the soil profile yearlong.

Vegetation is principally subalpine fir, whitebark pine and spruce. Alpine larch occurs in isolated pockets. Habitat types include ABLA/LUHI-MEFE phase on the basin floors and cool aspects. ABLA-PIAL/VASC occurs on the residual soils, at slightly higher elevations and on western aspects. ABLA/MEFE occurs at slightly lower elevations in areas with good air drainage. ABLA/CACA occurs as grassy inclusions along small springs, seeps and heads of drains.

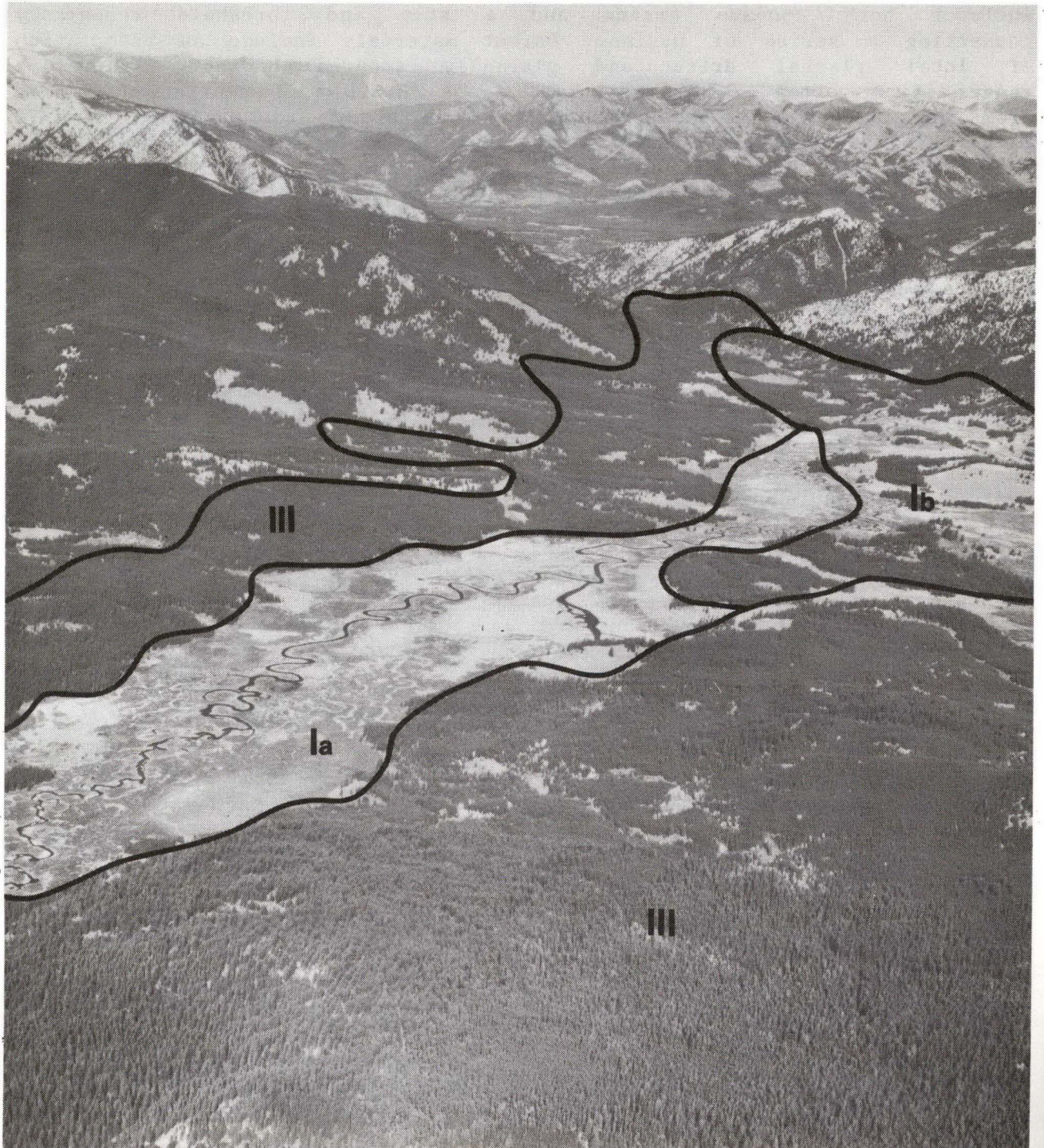
The soils are developed in loamy local glacial tills with a high percentage of subrounded stones and have a volcanic ash-rich (loess) brown surface 6 to 10 inches thick. They are classified as Andic Cryochrepts in the eastern part of the study area, where the volcanic ash surface layer is thin and as Andic Cryorthods in the west where the ash rich surface layer is thicker. The residual soils that occur on the glacial scoured areas are classified as Andic Cryochrepts and Typic Cryandepts. The short snow-free period (growing season), and low temperatures are limiting factors responsible for delayed forest regeneration and slow growth rates.

The qualities that differentiate this mapping unit are a circular-shaped basin with low relief below a very steep headwall. This unit occurs at high elevations and mainly on the north and east side of major mountain ridges.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 10. This land type association is capable of supporting continuous forest cover in which stands replacing fire at long intervals are most likely. Some inclusion of fire behavior group 9 occurs at the lowest elevations. Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is slow.



## Upper Danaher Basin



**LTA Ia: Wet, Grass-Sedge Meadows**

**LTA Ib: Grass & Forested Stream Terraces**

**LTA III: Forested Glacial Ground Moraine**



## Forested Ground Moraine

## LTA III

Rolling to hilly valley floors containing glacial drift deposits and glacially scoured low relief bedrock hills. Elevation ranges from 4,600 to 5,600 feet. Precipitation varies from 20 inches in the eastern portion of the study area to 55 inches in the western portion. Approximately 50 percent falls as snow. These lower elevation lands contain many frost pockets where cold air accumulates. Late spring and early summer frosts are common. Temperature inversions often trap smoke in these valleys, especially in the fall.

Vegetation is principally lodgepole pine forest with aspen occurring on the moister microsites and Douglas fir on the drier. The lodgepole pine forest regenerates rapidly after fire, frequently to "dog hair" stands.

Dominant habitat types are PICEA/VACA and ABLA/VACA, their distribution apparently determined by temperature and soil moisture relationships. Cool moist concave depressions are typically ABLA/LIBO or PICEA/SMST and dry warm south facing slopes are PSME/CARU-AGSP or closely related habitat types. Composition is 70 to 80 percent PICEA, or ABLA/VACA; 10 to 15 percent PSME/CARU and 10 to 15 percent ABLA/LIBO or PICEA/SMST.

The soils are developed in parent material ranging from silty old lake deposits to gravelly and sandy glacial outwash, but are most commonly loamy glacial drift or residuum. Volcanic ash deposits are typically 6 inches thick in the western portion of the area, but become thin and inconsistent in the eastern portion. The soils typically have loamy topsoils underlain by clayey subsoils with moderately slow permeability, and are from 40 inches to over 60 inches deep.

Typic and Andic Cryoboralfs in loamy and clayey skeletal families dominate this unit.

These soils have excellent qualities as a plant growth medium but rooting depth is limited by compact subsoils, or droughty gravels in places.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are the low relief landforms at lower elevations supporting dense forest cover.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 7. It contains some inclusion of group 5 on south aspects.

Erosion rates are low and vegetative recovery following fire is rapid.



## Dearborn River



**LTA I : Forested Flood Plains**

**LTA IIIa: Forested Steep Lateral Moraine**

**LTA Va : Forested High Elevation Ridges**



## Forested Steep Lateral Moraine

## LTA IIIa

Steep, forested, lower valley side slopes with average slopes between 25 and 60 percent. Thick deposits of clayey, slowly permeable glacial drift with a dense pattern of parallel low-order drainages. Drainage spacing is high 100's of feet with local relief of low 10's of feet. Elevation ranges from 5,500 to 6,800 feet. Precipitation is 20 to 25 inches with approximately 50 percent falling as snow. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is principally lodgepole pine forest with spruce and subalpine fir common in old-growth stands. The Lodgepole pine forest regenerates rapidly after fire. Dominant habitat types are ABLA/XETE on south or west aspects and ABLA/MEFE on north or east aspects.

The soils developed in a 4 to 10-inch thick layers of silty, wind-deposited volcanic ash overlying clayey slowly permeable glacial drift. They typically have loamy topsoils over clayey subsoils. They are more than 60 inches deep.

Andic Cryochrepts in a clayey skeletal family dominate this unit. The clayey subsoils limit plant root development and permeability. Perched water tables commonly develop above the clayey subsoils during snowmelt.

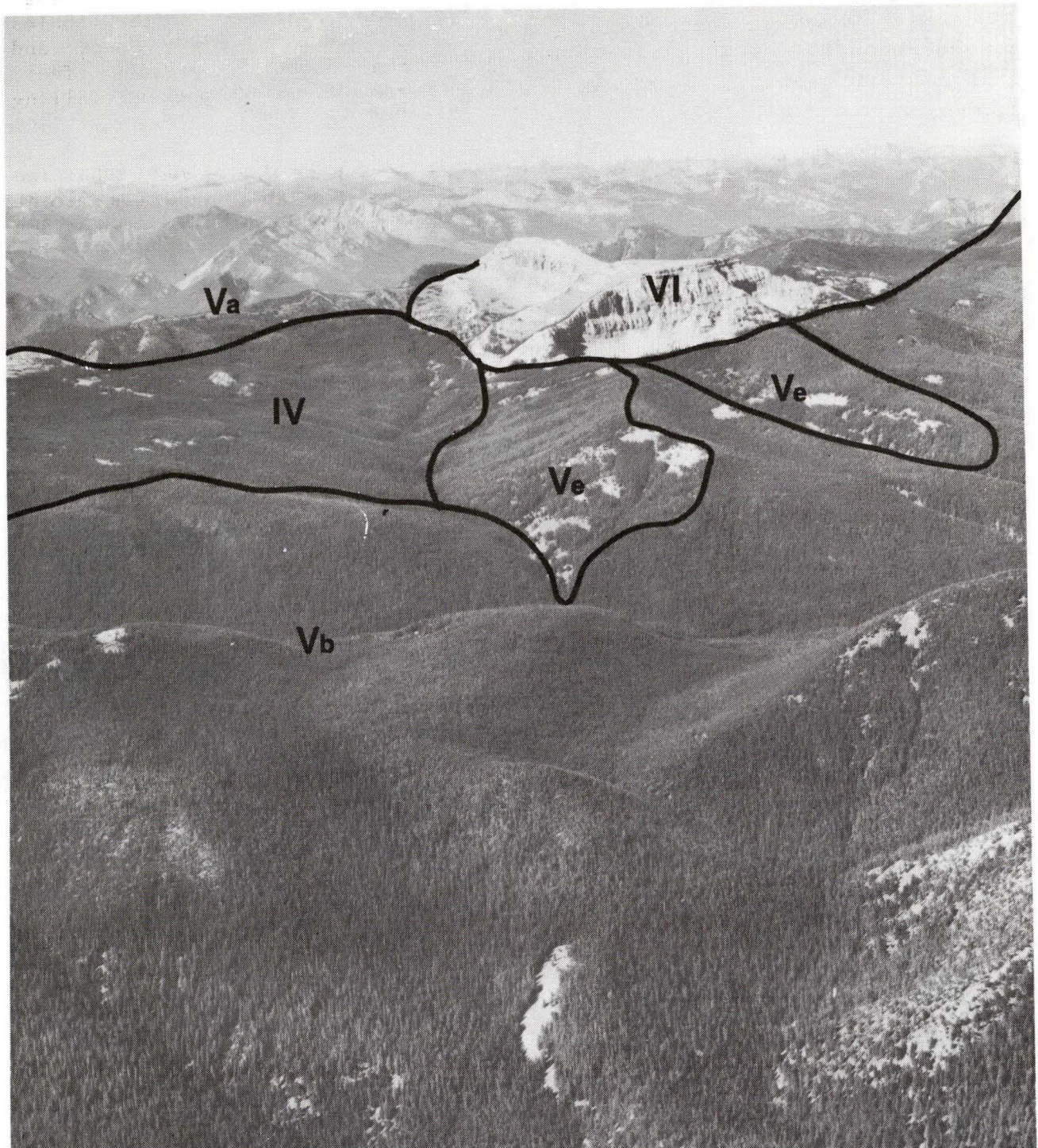
The quality that differentiates this unit from others is the deposition of slowly permeable glacial drift on steep slopes as indicated by a dense pattern of parallel low-order drainages.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 9, although it is actually a complex of groups 7 and 9. Because of the lower slope position occupied by this association, the ABLA/MEFE habitat is dominant on all aspects.

Water erosion hazards are low, but the unit is susceptible to rotational slumping when the timber cover is killed by fire or when an eroding stream bank undercuts the toe of the slope. Vegetative recovery following fire is moderate.



**Sugarloaf Mtn.**



**LTA IV : Slump Land**

**LTA Va: Forested High Elevation Ridges**

**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA Ve: Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges-Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**



## Slump Land

## LTA IV

Moderately steep to steep hummocky or benchy slopes formed by slumping. These slopes frequently occur where limestone overlies softer shales or may occur where soft shales outcrop on steep slopes. Seeps and springs are common. Elevation ranges from 5,000 to 7,500 feet. Precipitation varies from 20 to 60 inches with 40 to 60 percent falling as snow. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is mixed lodgepole pine, Douglas fir, spruce, and subalpine fir forest. Lower elevation units contain patches of aspen. Dominant habitat types above 5,600 feet are ABLA/XETE and ABLA/MEFE. ABLA/VACA and ABLA/LIBO dominate below 5,600 feet. Forest regeneration following fire is rapid.

The soils develop in clay loam or clay slump material frequently containing large glide blocks of limestone. They are typically deep with loamy topsoils and clayey subsoils. Typic and Andic Cryoboralfs in clayey skeletal families dominate this unit.

These soils are an excellent medium for plant growth, but the clayey subsoil may restrict root development in some areas.

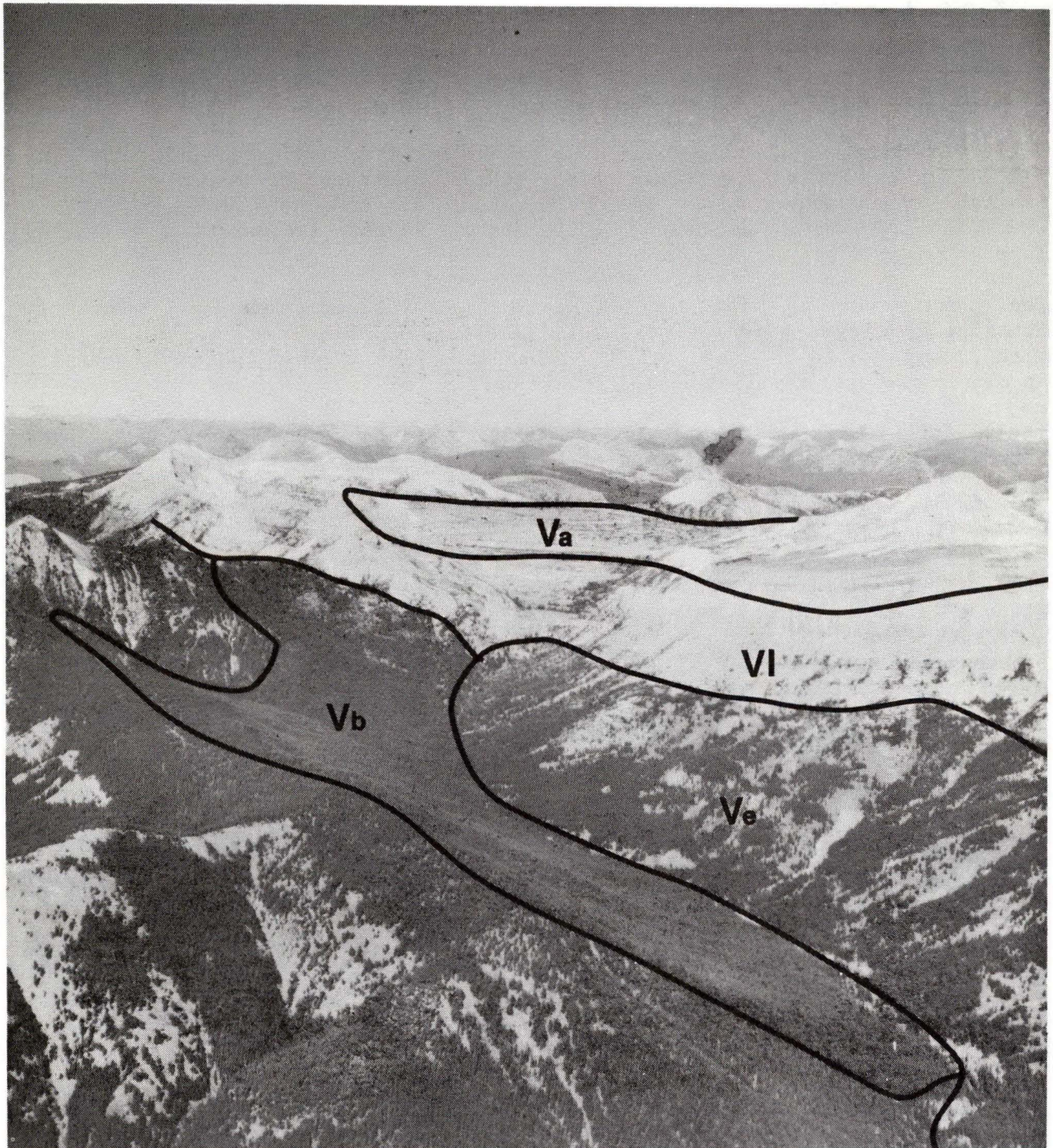
The quality that differentiates this unit from others is the hummocky, benchy slopes formed by slumping.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 9, although it is actually a complex of groups 7 and 9. Stand structure and successional stages observed in the study unit are best represented by group 9.

Water erosion hazards are low. Fire may reactivate movement of these slumps by increasing water stored in the soil mantle and by removing the stabilizing effect of tree roots. Vegetative recovery following fire is moderate.



## **Scapegoat Mtn.**



**LTA Va: Forested High Elevation Ridges**

**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA Ve: Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**



## Forested High Elevation Ridges

## LTA Va

Rounded, convex-shaped ridgetops and upper valley side slopes. Slopes range from 25 to 50 percent. This mapping unit occurs mainly in the eastern half of the planning unit on softer nonbelt bedrocks. Elevation ranges from 6,800 to 8,000 feet. Small inclusions of alpine grassland occur above 8,500 feet in the Scapegoat Mountain area. Precipitation ranges from 25 inches in the eastern part to 50 inches in the midpart of the study area. Approximately 70 percent falls as snow. Temperature inversions may extend the fall growing seasons on ridgetops at the lower end of the elevation range.

Vegetation is principally mixed whitebark pine and lodgepole pine at the lower elevation grading into open growing, wind-deformed forest of whitebark pine, spruce, subalpine fir, and alpine larch at higher elevations. On included small areas of alpine ridges, the vegetation is a forb-rich grassland.

Principal habitat types are ABLA-PIAL/VASC, ABLA/LUHI and ABLA/XETE-VASC phase at lower elevations grading to PIAL/ABLA, and LALY/PIAL at higher elevations. The highest alpine ridges are Deca/feid.

The soils develop in parent material consisting of thin layers of volcanic ash deposits, 4 to 12 inches thick, overlying stony, loamy material weathered from the underlying rock. The soils typically have silty topsoils underlain by stony loamy subsoils. They average 20 to 60 inches deep.

Andic Cryochrepts in a loamy-skeletal family dominate the mapping unit. These soils are highly permeable and an excellent medium for plant growth. The severe subalpine climate limits plant growth.

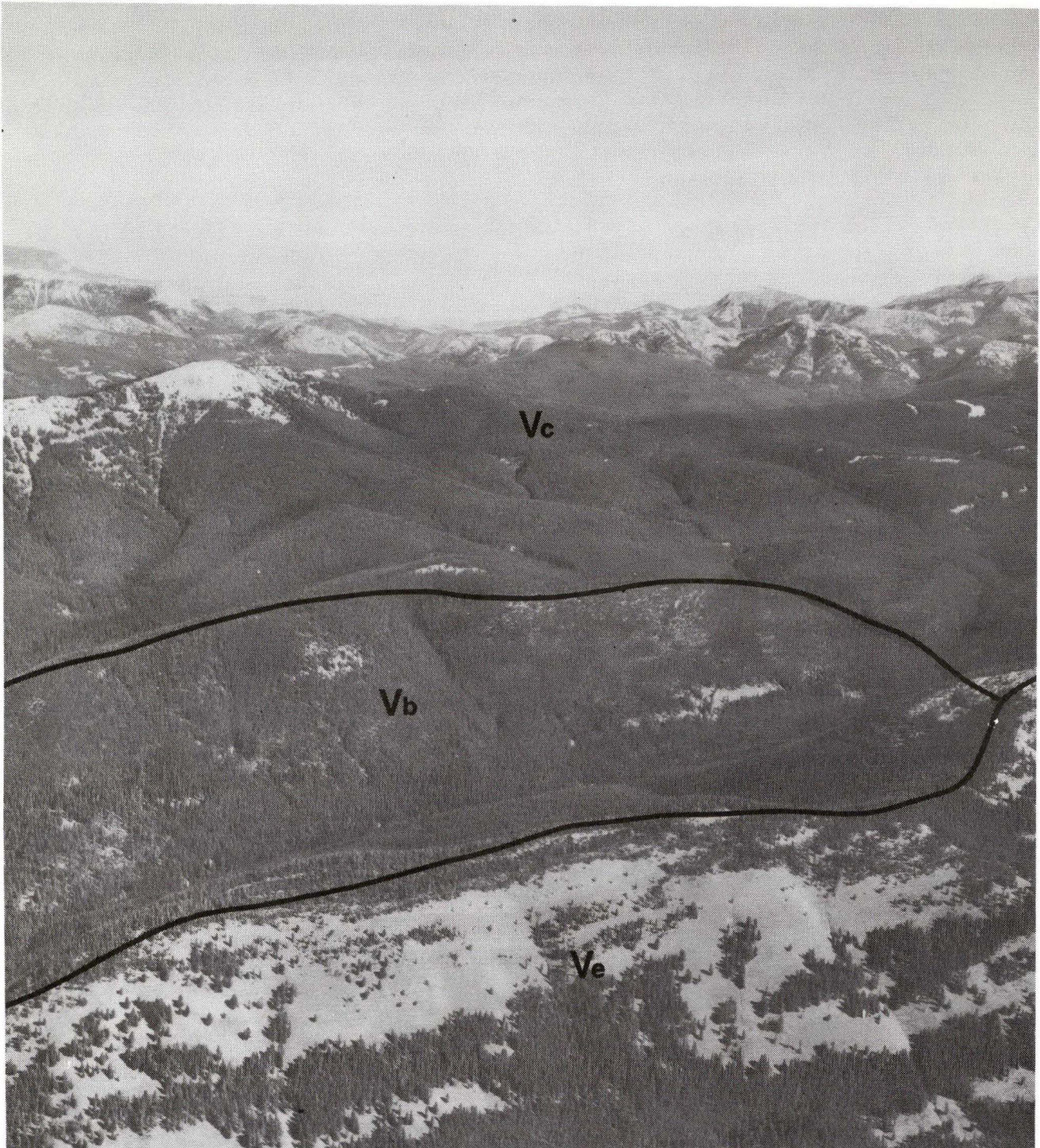
The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes less than 60 percent above 6,800 feet elevation.

This land type association is assigned to fire group 10. The land type association contains almost all conditions described for this fire behavior group.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is slow. Stand destroying fire produce greater water yield increase for longer periods of time on this land type association than on any other found in the study area.



## Rapid Creek



**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA Vc: Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes**

**LTA Ve: Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes**



## Forested Smooth Residual Slopes

LTA Vb

Steep, forested mountain slopes with average slopes between 25 and 60 percent. Low-order stream spacing is low thousands of feet with local relief between drainages and ridges of high 10's of feet. More than 50 percent of the landform is spur ridgetop with the remainder in low-order stream valley side slope. Elevation ranges from 5,000 to 6,800 feet. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 60 inches with the highest precipitation in the western portion of the study area. Approximately 60 percent falls as snow. This mapping unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is principally lodgepole pine with western larch commonly associated at lower elevation in the western portion of the study area.

Dominant habitat types are ABLA/XETE-VAGL phase on south and west aspects and ABLA/MEFE on north and east aspects. Included habitat types are PSME/SYAL and PSME/CARU below 5,600 feet on south aspects, ABLA/VAGL below 5,600 feet on east and west aspects and ABLA/LIBO below 5,000 on north aspects.

The soils are developed in parent materials consisting of a thin layer of volcanic ash, 4 to 12 inches thick, overlying stony loamy material weathered from the underlying bedrock. The soils typically have silty topsoils overlying stony loamy subsoils. The average from 40 to 60 inches deep. Andic Cryochrepts in a loamy skeletal family dominate this unit. These soils have excellent qualities as a plant growth medium.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are a continuous forest cover, slopes between 25 and 60 percent, and slight to moderate dissection by low-order drainages.

This land type association is a complex of fire groups 7 and 9, but should be treated as group 7 in the study area due to the dominance of lodgepole pine in the existing stand.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is moderate.



## **Sugarloaf Mtn.**



**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA Vc: Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**



## Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes

## LTA Vc

Steep, forested mountain slopes with average slope between 25 and 60 percent. Low-order stream spacing is low thousands of feet with local relief between drainages and ridges of high 100's of feet. More than 50 percent of the unit is low-order drainage valley side slope. Elevation ranges from 5,000 to 6,800 feet. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 60 inches with the higher precipitation in the western portion of the study area. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is principally lodgepole pine forest with western larch commonly associated at lower elevation west of the Continental Divide.

Dominant habitat types are ABLA/XETE-VAGL phase on south or west aspects and ABLA/MEFE on north or east aspects. Included are PSME/SYAL and PSME/CARU, DF/CARU below 5,600 feet on south aspects, ABLA/VAGL below 5,600 feet on east or west aspects and ABLA/LIBO below 5,000 feet on north aspects.

The soils have developed in parent material consisting of 4 to 12 inches of volcanic ash, rich wind deposited silt overlying stony, loamy material weathered from the underlying bedrock. The soils typically have silty topsoils overlying stony, loamy subsoils. They average between 40 and 60 inches deep.

Andic Cryochrepts in loamy skeletal families dominate this unit. The soils contain no restrictions to plant growth.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes between 25 and 60 percent, supporting continuous dense forest cover, well dissected by low-order drainages.

This land type association is a complex of fire groups 7 and 9. It should be treated as fire behavior group 7 because of the prevalence of lodgepole pine dominated stands.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is moderate.



**Scapegoat Mtn.**



**LTA Vd: Forested and Grassland Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes**

**LTA VI: Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**



## Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes

LTA Vd

Steep, south or west facing mountain slopes supporting a mosaic of dense timber, open growing timber and parks. Average slope is between 25 and 60 percent. Low-order stream spacing is midthousands of feet and relief between drainage and ridge is high 10's of feet. More than 50 percent of the slope is spur ridge. Elevation ranges from 5,00 to 6,800 feet. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 60 inches with the higher amounts in the western portion of the study area. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is 70 percent open growing stands of Douglas fir and small bunchgrass parks and 30 percent with dense lodgepole pine forests included on north or east facing slopes. Dominant habitat types in the open growing Douglas fir stands are PSME/CARU-AGSP phase and PSME/FEID. Small bunchgrass parks are FESC/AGSP or FESC/FEID. The included dense lodgepole pine forests are dominantly on ABLA/XETE-VAGL phase or ABLA/VAGL habitat types. Other dry habitat types in the Douglas fir series are included.

The soils have developed in loamy material weathered from the underlying bedrock. Thin surface layers of volcanic ash rich silt occur under lodgepole pine forest on north or east aspects. The soils have loamy topsoils and stony loamy subsoils. They range from 20 to 60 inches deep, with the shallow soils most common under grassland.

Typic and Lithic Cryoborolls occur under grassland and Douglas fir forest. Typic and Andic Cryochrepts occur under lodgepole pine forest.

Potential plant growth is limited by shallow soils, low water holding capacity and high evapotranspiration rates on these warm aspects.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes less than 60%, low local relief and mixed forest and grassland vegetation.

This land type association is a complex of fire groups 5 (50%), 0 (20%) and 7 (30%). The inclusion of group 6 occurs on included north or east facing slopes too small to map separately. The unit should be treated as all group 5. Ponderosa pine is rare on this land type association and the normal succession following a stand destroying fire is a long stage of grass and shrubs which Douglas fir slowly invades. It is hard to determine if many areas are natural grassland or unregenerated old burns. Some inclusion of group 0, grassy bald, occurs on these areas.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is slow on the major part of the association.



## Rapid Creek



**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**

**LTA Vc: Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes**

**LTA Ve: Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes**



Steep, south or west facing mixed forest and grassland mountain slopes with average slopes between 25 and 60 percent. Low-order stream spacing is midthousands of feet and relief between drainage and ridge is high hundreds of feet. More than 50 percent of this unit is low-order drainage valley side slope. Elevation ranges from 5,000 to 6,800 feet. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 60 inches with the higher precipitation in the western portion of the study area. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is mixed lodgepole pine forest (30%) and open growing Douglas fir forest (70%). The lodgepole pine component regenerates rapidly after fire but the Douglas fir is very slow to regenerate. Dominant habitat types supporting lodgepole pine are ABLA/XETE and ABLA/VAGL. PSME/CARU, PSME/FEID and FESC/FEID are found in the open areas. Other habitat types in the Douglas fir series with seral stages containing bunchgrass are included.

The soils develop in loamy material weathered from the underlying bedrock. Thin surface layers of silty volcanic ash are found under lodgepole pine. The soils have loamy topsoils and stony loamy subsoils. They range from 20 to 60 inches deep, with the shallow soils occurring under grassland.

Typic and Andic Cryochrepts in loamy-skeletal families occur under lodgepole pine forest. Typic and Lithic Cryoborolls occur under the Douglas fir forest and grassland parks.

Plant productivity is limited by shallow soils, low water-holding capacity and high evapotranspiration rate on these warm aspects.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes less than 60 percent, high local relief and mixed forest and grass vegetation.

This land type association is a complex of fire groups 5 (50%), 0 (20%), and 7 (30%). The inclusion of fire group 7 occurs on north or east aspects included on these generally south or west facing slopes. It should be treated as fire behavior group 5 because of its dominance. Ponderosa pine is very rare on this land type association and the normal succession following a stand destroying fire is a long stage of grass and shrub land during which Douglas fir slowly invades. It is hard to determine if many areas are natural grassland or unregenerated burns. Fire behavior group 0, grassy bald, occurs on these areas.

Erosion hazards are low and vegetative recovery following fire is slow on the major part of the land type association.



## South Fork of Sun River



**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**

**LTA Vb: Forested Smooth Residual Slopes**



**Rockland**

Steep to very steep peaks, glacial cirque headwalls, glacial valley trough walls and fault escarpments with slopes generally in excess of 60 percent and often nearly vertical. Nearly barren exposures of bedrock and talus with scattered islands of vegetation. Elevation ranges from 6,000 to 10,000 feet. Precipitation ranges from 30 to more than 80 inches in the western portion of the study area. Approximately 60 to 80 percent falls as snow.

More than 70 percent of the unit is barren rockland and talus with the remaining 30 percent supporting stunted, open growing stands of ABLA, PICEA, LALY and PIAL on scree. These highest ridges are susceptible to lightning strikes, but the discontinuous fuels limit the size of fires.

Less than 30 percent of the unit has a soil mantle. The soils develop in very stony colluvial deposits and are deep and loamy. They are very susceptible to dry soil creep.

This unit is differentiated from others by the large amounts of rock outcrop and talus which are barren of vegetation.

This Land Type Association is in fire group 10+0.

Due to the lack of vegetation, the unit is not susceptible to wildfire.



## Youngs Creek



**LTA III : Forested Ground Moraine**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**

**LTA VII : Forested, Cool Aspect Breaklands**

**LTA VIII: Forested, Warm Aspect Breaklands**

**LTA II : Glacial Cirque Basins**



Very steep, north facing, forested glacial valley trough walls with slopes of 60 to 80 percent. Glacial valley trough walls have shallow residual soils on the upper slopes and glacial drift plastered on the lower third of the slope. Avalanche chutes are common. Elevation ranges from 5,500 to 7,000 feet. Precipitation ranges from 25 to 60 inches with the higher amounts in the western portion of the study area. The unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is lodgepole pine or mixed spruce and subalpine lpine fir forest in old growth stands. The forest regenerates rapidly after fire. Dominant habitat types are ABLA/MEFE with alder communities included in avalanche chutes.

The soils develop in loamy material weathered from the underlying rock on the upper slopes and firm loamy glacial drift and colluvium on the lower slopes. A 4- to 10-inch layer of silty volcanic ash mantles the entire slope. The soils have silty topsoils and stony loamy subsoils. They range from 20 inches deep on the upper slope to over 40 inches deep on the lower.

Andic Cryochrepts and Lithic Cryandepts in loamy skeletal families dominate the mapping unit. The soils contain no limitations to plant growth, but the cold, moist climate and short growing season do. The soils have low water erosions hazards but the drift on the lower slope is susceptible to slumping when undercut by stream bank erosion.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes in excess of 60 percent with dense forest cover.

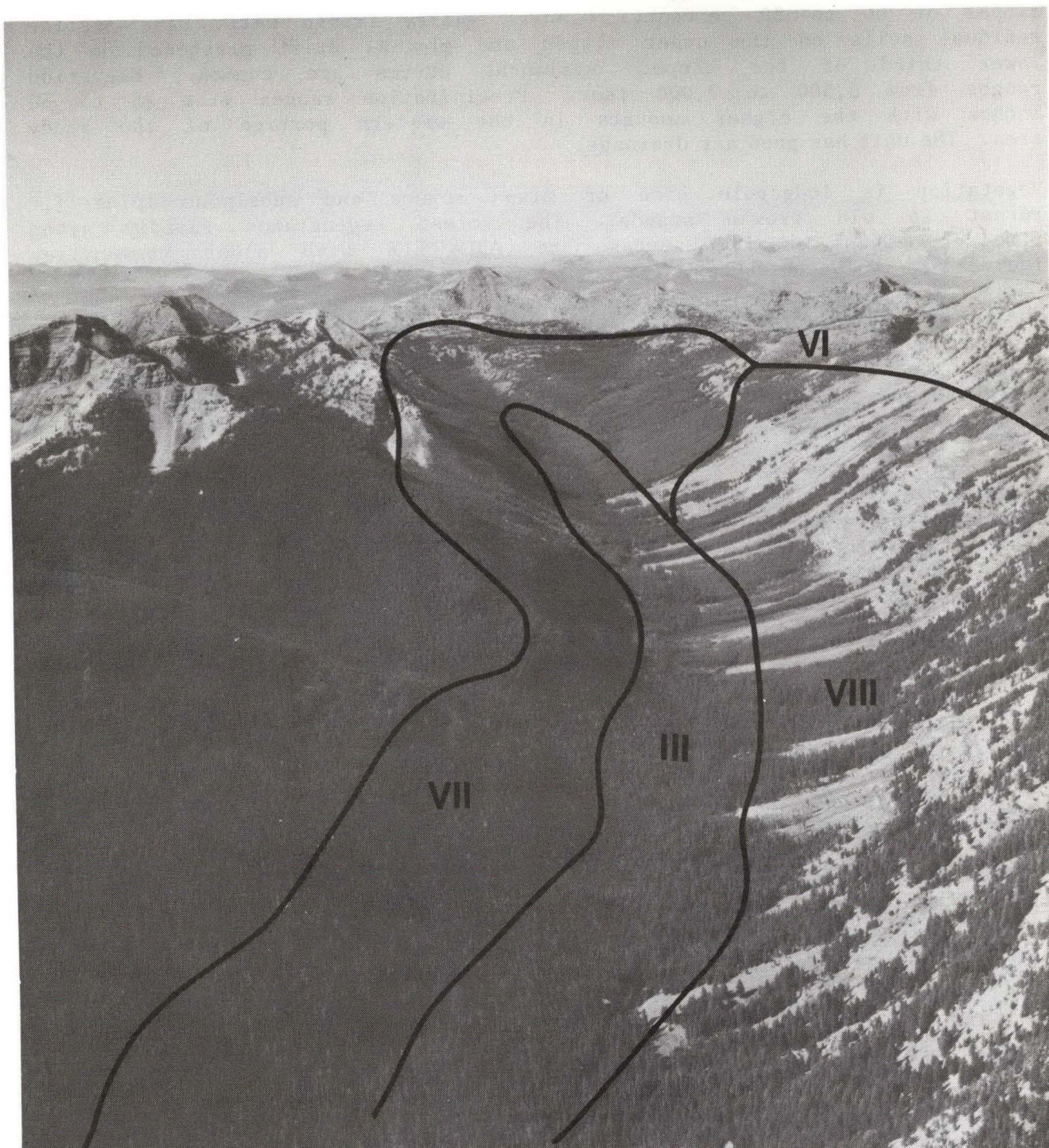
This land type association is assigned to fire group 9.

Vegetative recovery following fire is moderate.

The lower portion of these slopes have a mass failure hazard, and stand destroying fires may trigger mass movement by removing the stabilizing effect of tree roots and increasing the water held within the soil mantle.



## Marshall Creek



**LTA III : Forested Ground Moraine**

**LTA VII: Forested, Cool Aspect Breaklands**

**LTA VIII: Forested, Warm Aspect Breaklands**

**LTA VI : Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rockland**



## Forested, Warm Aspect Breaklands

## LTA VIII

Very steep south or west facing slopes containing 10 to 50 percent rock outcrop. Average slope is between 55 and 70 percent. Elevation ranges from 5,500 to 7,500 feet. Precipitation ranges from 20 to 60 inches with the higher amounts in the west part of the study area. Approximately 50 percent falls as snow. This mapping unit has good air drainage.

Vegetation is mixed open growing forest (60%), bunchgrass parks (20%), and dense lodgepole pine forest (20%).

Dominant habitat types supporting lodgepole pine are ABLA/XETE and ABLA/VAGL. The open growing forest component is PSME/FEID, PSME/CARU or PSME/SYAL-AGSP phase at lower elevation and ABLA/CAGE at higher. Bunchgrass parks are FESC/FEID. Other elevation habitat types in the Douglas fir series with seral stages containing bunchgrass are included. Up to 50 percent of this unit may be forested scree and rock outcrop.

The soils develop in very gravelly or stony colluvium. They are typically deep, loamy soils. Limestone is a common parent material and the soils are often calcareous.

Typic Cryochrepts and Typic Ustochrepts dominate this unit. When underlain by permeable limestones, these soils have droughty subsoils and late summer moisture stress limits plant growth. They have low water erosion hazards but are highly susceptible to dry soil creep.

The qualities that differentiate this unit from others are slopes greater than 60 percent supporting mixed dense forest, open forest and grassland.

This land type association is a complex of fire groups 5, 0, and 7. It is dominated by scree and forested rock in group 0 with islands of stable soils supporting forest in group 5 when the aspect is south or west and group 7 when the aspect is north or east. Because of the discontinuity of fuels, the unit should be treated as group 0.

Vegetative recovery following fire is slow because of dry sites and unstable soils.

The association has a moderate dry creep erosion hazard.



HABITAT TYPES AND PHASES

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Abbreviation Names	Scientific Names	Common Names
PSEUDOTSUGA MENZIESII CLIMAX SERIES		
PSME/FEID	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Festuca idahoensis</i> h.t.	Douglas-fir/Idaho fescue
PSME/FESC	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Festuca scabrella</i> h.t.	Douglas-fir/rough fescue
PSME/VACA	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Vaccinium caespitosum</i> h.t.	Douglas-fir/dwarf huckleberry
PSME/SYAL	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> h.t.	Douglas-fir/snowberry phase
PSME/CARU-AGSP	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Calamagrostis rubescens</i> h.t. - Agropyron spicatum phase	Douglas-fir/pinegrass-bluebunch wheatgrass phase
PSME/AGSP	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> / <i>Agropyron spicatum</i>	Douglas-fir/bluebunch-wheatgrass
ABIES LASIOCARPA CLIMAX SERIES		
ABLA/GATR	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Galium triflorum</i>	Subalpine fir/sweetscented bedstraw
ABLA/VACA	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Vaccinium caespitosum</i>	Subalpine fir/dwarf huckleberry
ABLA/CACA	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	Subalpine fir/bluejoint
ABLA/LIBO	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Linnaea borealis</i>	Subalpine fir/twinflower
ABLA/XETE-VAGL	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Xerophyllum tenax</i> h.t. - Vaccinium globulare (phase)	Subalpine fir/beargrass h.t. - Blue huckleberry (phase)
ABLA/XETE-VASC	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Xerophyllum texax</i> h.t. - Vaccinium scoparium (phase)	Subalpine fir/beargrass h.t. - Grouse whortleberry (phase)
ABLA/VAGL	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Vaccinium globulare</i>	Subalpine fir/blue huckleberry
ABLA/CAGE	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Carex geyeri</i>	Subalpine fir/elk sedge
PICEA CLIMAX SERIES		
PICEA/EQAR	<i>Picea/Equisetum arvense</i>	Spruce/common horsetail
PICEA/VACA	<i>Picea/Vaccinium caespitosum</i>	Spruce/grouse whortleberry
PICEA/LIBO	<i>Picea/Linnaea borealis</i>	Spruce/twinflower
PICEA/SMST	<i>Picea/Smilacina stellata</i>	Spruce/starry Solomon's seal
UPPER SUBALPINE H.T.S.		
ABLA-PIAL/VASC	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> - <i>Pinus albicaulis</i> / <i>Vaccinium scoparium</i>	Subalpine fir-whitebark pine/grouse whortleberry
ABLA/LUHI-VASC	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Luzula hitchcockii</i> h.t. - Vaccinium scoparium (phase)	Subalpine fir/smooth woodrush h.t. - Grouse whortleberry (phase)
ABLA/LUHI-MEFE	<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> / <i>Luzula hitchcockii</i> h.t. - Menziesia ferruginea (phase)	Subalpine fir/smooth woodrush h.t. - Menziesia (phase)
TIMBERLINE H.T.S.		
PIAL-ABLA	<i>Pinus-albicaulis</i> - <i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> h.t.s.	Whitebark pine-subalpine fir
LALY-ABLA	<i>Larix lyallii</i> - <i>Abies lasiocarpa</i> h.t.s.	Alpine larch-subalpine fir
PIAL	<i>Pinus albicaulis</i> h.t.s.	White bark pine

1/ Pfister, Robert D., Kovalchik, Bernard L., Arno, Stephen F., and Presby, Richard C., Forest Habitat Types of Montana. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report, INT-34, May 1977.

DANAHER-SCAPEGOAT

Land Type Association Characterization

LTA	Landform	Class	Elevation	Dominant Aspect	Dominant Habitat Types	Vegetative Fire Group <u>1/</u>	Vegetative - Hydrologic Recovery Rate <u>2/</u>	Fire Induced Erosion Hazards <u>3/</u>
I	Forested Flood Plains	0-10%	4500-5500'	None	ABLA/LIBO,	9	Rapid	Low
Ia	Wet, Grass-sedge Meadows	0-10%	4500-5200'	None	Willow-Sedge-Rush	0	Rapid	Low
Ib	Grass & Forested Stream Terraces	0-10%	4800-5200'	None	ABLA/VACA, FESC/FEID	Complex 7+0	Rapid	Low
II	Glacial Cirque Basins	0-40%	6000-7500'	N & E	ABLA-PIAL/VASC, ABLA/LUHI	10	Slow	Severe b
III	Forested Ground Moraine	0-25%	4600-5600'	None	PICEA/VACA, ABLA/VACA	7	Rapid	Low
IIIa	Forested Steep Lateral Moraine	5-60%	5500-6800'	None	ABLA/MEFE, ABLA/XETE	9	Moderate	Moderate a
IV	Slump Land	0-40%	5000-7500'	None	ABLA/XETE, ABLA/MEFE	9	Moderate	Moderate a
Va	Forested High Elevation Ridges	0-40%	6800-8000'	None	ABLA-PIAL/VASC, ABLA/LUHI	10	Slow	Severe b
Vb	Forested Smooth Residual Slopes	25-60%	5000-6800'	N & E	ABLA/XETE, ABLA/MEFE	7 + 9	Moderate	Low
Vc	Forested Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes	25-60%	5000-6800'	N & E	ABLA/XETE, ABLA/MEFE	7 + 9	Moderate	Low
Vd	Forested & Grassland Moderately Dissected Residual Slopes	25-60%	5000-6800'	S & W	PSME/FEID, FESC/FEID	5	Slow	Low
Ve	Forested & Grassland Smooth Residual Slopes	25-60%	5000-6800'	S & W	PSME/FEID, FESC/FEID	5	Slow	Low
VI	Peaks & Alpine Ridges - Sparsely Vegetated Rock Land	60% +	6000-10000'	All	ABLA-PIAL/VASC + SCREE	10 + 0	Slow	Low
VII	Forested, Cool Aspect Break Lands	60% +	5500-7500'	N	ABLA/MEFE	9	Moderate	Moderate a
VIII	Forested, Warm Aspect Break Lands	60% +	5500-7500'	S & W	PSME/FEID, CARU PSME/SYAL + AF/XETE + SCREE	0	Slow	Low



1/ Reference Report: Fire Ecology of Lolo National Forest Habitat Types, Bruce D. Clayton and William C. Fischer. USDA - Forest Service General Technical Report, INT-79.

2/ Vegetative-hydrologic recovery: The rating is based on estimated rates of secondary succession for habitat types occurring within the land type association.

Recovery is assumed to be a 10% or less increase in water yield compared to mature forest cover. The rating considers factors such as evapotranspiration rates, interception losses and redistribution of snow in forest openings. Rating definitions: Rapid--less than 40 years. Moderate--40 to 60 years. Slow--60 or more years. Reference page 10, section 2C, Forest Hydrology, USDA - Forest Service, Part 2.

3/ Fire caused accelerated erosion hazard: This is a rating of the probability of fire induced accelerated erosion. Rating considers water, dry creep, and mass movement erosion. The ratings are defined as follows: Low--either there is no hazard or the probability is so low that it need not be considered in planning. Generally any accelerated erosion which occurs following fire will not have a measurable effect on water quality. Moderate--accelerated erosion may increase sediment load of streams but not sufficiently to affect downstream fisheries or recreation uses. Some degradation of the esthetic quality of streams occurs and if reservoirs occur downstream, accelerated sediment deposition is an added cost. High--accelerated erosion following fire produces dramatic increases in sediment loads of streams with high probability of adverse effects on fisheries and recreation uses. Sedimentation of reservoirs is an added cost.

The rating assumes a fire intense enough to kill overstory vegetation and consume litter and duff layers on most of the burned area. Fires of less intensity can and do occur but will not appreciably affect erosion rates.

Erosive processes considered in making ratings were:

- (a) Slumps and debris avalanches;
- (b) Streambank erosion caused by increased water yield.

## THE FIRE GROUPS

The forest habitat types of Montana (Pfister et al., 1977) have been assembled into 12 Fire Groups, which are defined as follows <sup>1/</sup>:

Fire Group Zero: A heterogeneous collection of special habitats. on the Lolo National Forest these sites exist as scree, forested rock, meadow, grassy bald, and alder glade.

Fire Group One: Dry limber pine habitat types. These occur most often east of the Continental Divide in Montana. This group is not represented on the Lolo National Forest.

Fire Group Two: Warm, dry ponderosa pine habitat types. This group consists of open ponderosa pine stands with a predominantly grass undergrowth. These sites may exist as fire-maintained grasslands, and do not support Douglas fir except as "accidental" individuals.

Fire Group Three: Warm, moist ponderosa pine habitat types. These sites occur in eastern Montana. Fire Group Three is not represented on the Lolo.

Fire Group Four: Warm, dry Douglas fir habitat types. These are areas that exist in nature as fire-maintained ponderosa pine stands that develop Douglas fir regeneration beneath the pine in the absence of disturbance.

Fire Group Five: Cool, dry Douglas fir habitat types. Douglas fir is often the only conifer that occurs on these sites. In the absence of fire, dense Douglas fir sapling understories may develop.

Fire Group Six: Moist Douglas fir habitat types. Group Six habitat types will support substantial amounts of Douglas fir even when subjected to periodic fire.

Fire Group Seven: Cool habitat types usually dominated by lodgepole pine. This group includes stands in which fire maintains lodgepole pine as a dominant seral as well as those in which it is a persistent dominant species.

Fire Group Eight: Dry, lower subalpine habitat types. This is primarily an eastern Montana group, although it is represented on the Lolo.

Fire Group Nine: Moist, lower subalpine habitat types. Group Nine is a collection of lower subalpine habitats in which fires are infrequent but severe, with long-lasting effects.

Fire Group Ten: Cold, moist upper subalpine and timberline habitat types. Group Ten is a collection of high-elevation habitats in which fires are infrequent. Small area fires are common because of the fuel situation. Severe fires have long-term effects.

Fire Group Eleven: Warm, moist grand fir, western redcedar, and western hemlock habitat types. These are moist habitats in which fires are infrequent and often severe.

<sup>1/</sup> Davis, Kathleen M., Clayton, Bruce D., and Fischer, William C.; Fire Ecology of Lolo National Forest Habitat Types, 1980. USDA Forest Service Gen. Tech. Rep. INT-79, 77 pages. Intermountain Forest and Range Experimental Station, Ogden, Utah 84401.



### Fire Induced Erosion Hazards

The purpose of this section is to document the assumptions made in assessing fire's influence on erosion rates in the study area and to record their basis in experience or research.

This section assumes a fire intensity sufficient to kill the overstory vegetation and expose bare mineral soil over most of the burned area. Fires which do not kill the overstory on most of the burned area have no appreciable effect on erosion rates in the study area because acceleration of the erosional processes operating is dependent upon removal of the overstory canopy. A fire of sufficient size to affect watershed behavior is also assumed since the rating is based on the effect of erosion on water quality. The minimum size of burn which will affect water quality is a function of location in the watershed and, therefore, no minimum size can be established. However, burns of 100 acres or larger will normally be required to have measurable impact.

The effects of the large stand destroying fires used in this rating are to:

(1) Kill the overstory and consume litter and duff layers, exposing bare mineral soil over much of the burn. Secondary effects of killing the overstory are to:

(a) Reduce evapotranspiration rates and increase water yield until forest cover is re-established. In watersheds where stream channel stability is near an equilibrium threshold, the increased streamflow after fire can cause extensive stream bank erosion. The stream channels in the study area are commonly incised into thick unconsolidated deposits of glacial drift or colluvium. Flood events in 1964 and 1975 have caused extensive channel bank erosion. Based on these observations, it is assumed that fires which burn the higher elevation, high water yield land type associations can produce increases in water yield sufficient to cause bank erosion and dramatic increases in sediment loads during peak runoff periods. It is assumed that this is a major sediment source in the study area.

(b) To activate landslides and slumps on steep slopes with thick mantles of unconsolidated material. Tree roots tend to stabilize these slopes, and five to ten years after the forest is killed by fire and the roots begin to decay, an increased incidence of mass failure erosion is likely. Old burns on certain land type associations in the study area contain recent slumps and slides. Based on this observation, it is assumed that this effect is a major cause of increased sedimentation after wildfire in the study area.

(c) To increase dry soil creep on steep south or west facing slopes. The removal of shade on these slopes increases the daily temperature fluctuation, particularly in the spring. These wide daily temperature fluctuations loosen individual particles of rock and soil which roll downslope. In the study area, land type associations with this hazard rarely occur adjacent streams and this form of erosion is a very minor source of sediment.

(2) The heat of the fire volatilizes organic compounds in the litter and duff which induce water repellancy in the mineral soil surface. The water repellent layer will generally be less than an inch thick in the loamy soils common to the study area and will disappear during the winter following the fire, consequently the burned area soils will have near normal permeability during spring snowmelt and early summer thunder storms. Overland flow and water erosion of the soil following fire will, therefore, be rare and a minor source of sediment in the area. These assumptions are based on observations of fire outside the study area and the article: "Water Repellent Soils - A Worldwide Concern in Management of Soil and Vegetation" by Leonard F. Devano.

(3) The combustion of organic matter releases its mineral component which becomes temporarily mobile. The soils of the study area have moderate to high cation exchange capacity and are assumed to be capable of absorbing and retaining in the ecosystem most of the plant nutrient mobilized by fire.

## SELECTED OBSERVATIONS BY DANNY ON

### ON STUDY AREA VEGETATION AND FIRE BEHAVIOR

(As Prepared by Herb Holdorf, Lewis and Clark National Forest)

Danny On participated in the gathering of field data for this inventory. His observations were recorded in a draft report on "Fire Behavior by Habitat Types" and in review comments to a draft copy of this legend.

Most of his general comments on Fire Behavior by Habitat Type were repeated in Clayton and Fischer's "Fire Ecology of Lolo National Forest Forest Habitat Types" INT-79. This section selects those comments which were specific to the study area and organizes them by Clayton and Fischer's Eastern Montana fire groups and the Land Type Associations used in this inventory.

The complete draft report on Fire Behavior by Habitat Types follows.

#### Fire Group 5 & 6: General Observations

During the field reconnaissance, the following habitat types of these groups were sampled or observed:

PSME/CAGE	PSME/SYAL-CARU
PSME/CARU-CARU	PSME/FEID
PSME/CARU-AGSP	

On the driest sites, Douglas fir/Idaho Fescue is associated with closely related habitat types, ponderosa pine savannas, and bunchgrass types. Occasional lodgepole pine can be found in the savannas. In the Danaher and Basin Creek areas, immature ponderosa pine is apparently absent and there was very little invasion of any species in the grassland openings.

#### Specific Comments

LTA Vd: These open growing Douglas fir and grasslands have been burned frequently by low-intensity fires. Stand replacement burns occur at long intervals. The lodgepole stand inclusions will regenerate rapidly after fire, but growth may be slow.

#### Fire Group 7: General Observations

In the south portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area, lodgepole pine was found to be the major or sole seral dominant species in the following habitat types:

PSME/CARU-ARUV  
PSME/VAGL-VAGL  
PICEA/VACA  
PICEA/CLUN-VACA  
PICEA/LIBO  
ABLA/VACA  
ABLA/XETE-VASC  
ABLA/VASC-VASC



Pfister refers to lodgepole pine as the major or sole seral dominant on all of these habitat types except Douglas fir/pinegrass-kinnikinnick, which was identified at the ecotone of the subalpine fir/dwarf huckleberry habitat type. On the latter habitat type, lodgepole pine is described as "the sole dominant in nearly all stands sampled and it was often reproducing better than other conifers." This characteristic was typical in the study area; in many places there were inadequate subalpine fir to key into the subalpine fir series, and it does not seem likely that subalpine fir could ever dominate some of the sites. Among the habitat types listed as being present in the study area, the following are also likely to be dominated by lodgepole pine:

PSME/VAGL-XETE  
ABLA/LIBO-VASC  
ABCA/CACA-VAGA  
ABLA/XETE-VAGL

Besides being characterized by lodgepole pine stands, these habitat types share similarities in undergrowth vegetation, which is largely composed of short shrubs with varying amounts of beargrass, pinegrass or elk sedge.

Climax or other shade-tolerant conifers are often sparse in the understory and unless mortality has added significant ground fuels, the highly inflammable crowns are isolated from fires in the undergrowth vegetation. Most of the lodgepole pine stands in the Danaher and Basin Creek areas fit this description. Ground fuels in those areas have not changed significantly for at least several decades.

Most of the stands observed in the study area were moderately stocked, and they show a very small amount of suppression mortality. In the study area and in the habitat types under discussion, the seed source is almost always adequate. Low intensity fires will prepare sites for an understory of lodgepole pine, high intensity fires usually kill the overstory and prepare sites for even aged stands. Regeneration is likely to be prompt except in the few places where lodgepole pine is invading grasslands.

Presently the majority of lodgepole pine stands in the study area have light amounts of ground fuels and under most conditions fires would burn at low intensities. Some of the stands, however, are probably susceptible to mountain pine beetle attacks and the fuels could increase greatly in a few years. Lodgepole pine will dominate the tree seedling stands following fire. Growth to breast height will take about 10 years.

#### Specific Comments

LTA Ib: About 100 whitebark pine seedlings per acre occur on much of the forested portion of this LTA.

LTA Vb: Fire intensity and frequency vary by aspect and physiographic site. Estimated frequency of natural fires varies from 24 to 140 years. Reproduction of tree species may be slow, but undergrowth vegetation is likely to maintain good ground cover after low to moderate intensity wildfire.

#### Fire Group 9: Specific Comments

LTA I: The poorly drained and wetter sites have a low burn frequency and hence are often made up of uneven-aged stands. The well drained sites with a higher natural frequency of stand replacement burns are occupied mainly by even-aged stands of lodgepole pine. The spruce and subalpine fir/twinflower habitat types are likely to have shorter stand replacement burn intervals because they are drier sites. They also are susceptible to creeping low- to medium-intensity fire.

LTA VII: These habitat types regenerate slowly, but the undergrowth vegetation of these moist sites is not likely to be drastically affected by most burns. Fires are likely to be spotty and of low intensity.

#### Fire Group 10: General Observations

Stands in this group vary greatly in density and continuity due to rockland, avalanche paths, old burns and shrub fields. Although the discontinuity of forest cover may suggest the existence of some areas that have been exempt from past fires, Habeck and Mutch <sup>1/</sup> reported that searching has always yielded some charcoal in the subalpine fir/woodrush-menziessia habitat type located adjacent to this group; Bigler <sup>2/</sup> found charred wood in all stands, even in stands supporting 300-year-old spruce and estimated large fire periodicity at 250 to 400 years. Coniferous regeneration is extremely slow after fires. Revegetation of denuded areas by undergrowth plants is also slow, but such areas are likely to be small and scattered. The large infrequent stand replacement fires in this group generally start in adjacent drier sites.

#### Fire Group 0: General Observations (Grassy Bald Component)

More than 90 percent of big sagebrush plants can be killed by burning. The composition of herbaceous vegetation is not greatly altered by fire. Grass production commonly doubles after sagebrush removal, but the actual production on the sagebrush habitat type of the South Fork drainage is not expected to be significant because of soil limitations. Forb production also increases after sagebrush removal, but again, the actual production is not likely to be high. The conversion of a mountain sagebrush stand to herbaceous vegetation reduced seasonal moisture withdrawal about 15 percent. The effect of wildfire on sagebrush has been estimated to last 15 to 30 years.

#### FOOTNOTES

<sup>1/</sup> Habeck, J.R. and Mutch, R.W., 1973, Fire-dependent Forests. Northern Rocky Mountains Quarternary Research, Vol. 3, No. 3, Academic Press.

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# FIRE BEHAVIOR BY HABITAT TYPES AND THE RELATED EFFECTS

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(Draft Report)

## Introduction

On a given site, the behavior and effects of a fire are influenced by many factors. Quite appropriately, fuel loadings and weather have received much attention, but with an increasing concern about restoring wildfires to their natural role in wildlands, there is a need to recognize how they affected different ecosystems and how fire protection has influenced that role. There is also a need to predict on- and off-site effects in parts of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area and the Lincoln Scapegoat Wilderness Area. They are being studied for a fire management plan which will permit wildfires to resume their natural role, subject to certain constraints. To provide data for the plan, a reconnaissance into the areas was made by soils scientists and the author in the summer of 1978. This report is based upon data gathered during that reconnaissance.

The scope of this report is quite limited to general features of habitat types. Additional information needed on fuel loadings, current vegetation, and the distribution of habitat types is being gathered by field crews.

Arno 1/ noted that most researchers are strongly tempted to generalize about fire behavior and added that perhaps fires in the Northern Rockies are not best described in broad generalizations. Hopefully, this report will not be viewed as such, but rather as an attempt to present data from different studies that can be related to habitat types, specific areas of land. The habitat types are aggregated into groups with similar vegetation and closely related environments. Habitat types that are almost always dominated by lodgepole pine are combined into one group because of similarities in characteristics relating to fire. Lodgepole pine is short-lived and very susceptible to beetle epidemics that result in sudden and great increases in fuel loadings. It was interesting to note that Davis, et al. 2/, working separately, also recognized a group based on lodgepole pine dominance. Their publication, "Fire Ecology of Lolo National Forest Habitat Types", covers in greater detail information on the relationship of major tree species to fire, forest fuels, the natural role of fire, fire and plant succession, and fire management considerations.

### Ecoclass Groups 3/ 1, 2 and 3

The habitat types in these groups are warm to moderately cool and dry to moderately dry. Some of the stands and habitat types within these groups are dominated by lodgepole pine. The expected fire behavior and effects are described elsewhere in this text.

During the field reconnaissance, the following habitat types of these groups (excluding those dominated by lodgepole pine) were sampled or observed:

PSME/CAGE	PSME/SYAL-CARU
PSME/CARU-CARU	PSME/FEID
PSME/CARU-AGSP	

On the driest sites, Douglas fir/Idaho fescue is located with closely related habitat types, ponderosa pine savannas, and bunchgrass types. Occasional lodgepole pine can be found in the savannas. In the Danaher and Basin Creek areas, immature ponderosa pines are apparently absent and there was very little invasion of any species into the grassland openings. On the west side of Glacier National Park, Habeck and Mutch 4/ reported the invasion of grasslands by lodgepole pine and ponderosa pine openings by Douglas fir and spruce. The lack of ponderosa pine reproduction less than 50 years of age and hazardous fuel accumulations are regarded as a threat to the ponderosa pine community types. The differences between the two areas (Bob Marshall and Glacier Park) are worthy of further study.

These groups of habitat types include areas of the highest fire frequencies. On the Bitterroot National Forest, Arno 5/ found mean fire-free intervals of 6 to 19 years in comparable groups of habitat types. He included the Douglas fir/pinegrass-pinegrass habitat type with a moister group. Pinegrass cures later in the summer and remains relatively less flammable than the other habitat types in these groups.

The relatively short intervals between fires provided little time for heavy fuel accumulations, and fire intensities were usually not high. This fire regime favored the presence of ponderosa pine where it faces competition with more tolerant species. Undergrowth vegetation was affected very slightly by most burns. Stand replacement burns did occur however, and coniferous regeneration was often slow in establishment. Nonstocked old burns are a natural part of our forest environment. As a result of increased fuel loadings due to fire exclusion, wildfires are expected to be more intense in these groups of habitat types. (Fuel loadings in savannas and open ponderosa types of the study area have probably been affected only slightly by fire exclusion.) Relating to Arno's mean fire-free intervals (6 to 19 years), we have areas where 3 to 10 cycles have lapsed since the establishment of organized fire control. Fuel surveys associated with this study will quantify the fuel loadings and provide specific information for estimates of expected fire behavior.



## Ecoclass Group 6

Group 6 is found on moist northerly slopes, stream bottoms, and moist benches. The habitat types in this group are as follows:

ABLA/CLUN	ABLA/LIBO
ABLA/CLUN-CLUN	ABLA/LIBO-LIBO
ABLA/CLUN-ARNU	ABLA/LIBO-XETE
ABLA/VACA	ABLA/MEFE
ABLA/CLUN-XETE	ABLA/ALSI
ABLA/CLUN-MEFE	ABLA/LUHI-MEFE
	TSME/MEFE

During the field reconnaissance, sampling was done only on the subalpine fir/ woodrush-menziesia habitat type of this group, but subalpine fir/sitka alder was seen in a mosaic with subalpine fir/grouse whortleberry-grouse whortleberry, subalpine fir/twinflower was seen along the South Fork of the Sun River, and subalpine fir/menziesia was recognized in several places.

The grouse whortleberry phase of the subalpine fir/twinflower is included in the coverage of habitat types dominated by lodgepole pine. The twinflower and beargrass phases are described by Pfiser, et al. 6/ as tending to have Douglas fir dominant over lodgepole pine; otherwise they could also be included. Douglas fir can provide a fuels ladder between ground and crown fuels. Compared with sites dominated by lodgepole pine, wildfires on those phases would be more likely to crown; otherwise fire behavior on these environments should be much like that of environments dominated by lodgepole pine. The majority of habitat types in this group have shrubby and sometimes luxuriant understories. Dominant components of timber stands usually consist of tolerant and intolerant species. Davis, et al. found the range of fuel loads in a comparable group, Fire Group 4, of habitat types to be similar to that of their cool, dry Douglas fir Fire Group 5. The important difference was that Group 4 stands have more large diameter downfalls. Fuel moisture is relatively high throughout the summer. Prior to the establishment of fire control, wildfires were usually small. Judging from the 374-year historical record on the Coram Experimental Forest, Sneck 7/ determined the sizes of known spreads to range from 15 to 475 acres and added that large fires (over 250 acres) were not characteristic, although they occasionally occur. Small and low intensity fires occur more frequently than stand replacement burns in this habitat type group but they occur at much longer intervals than in drier groups. During most summers, wildfires are likely to be of low intensity. Such fires will kill or damage thin-barked tree species and do relatively little damage to western larch and Douglas fir. Stand replacement burns can be expected when burning conditions are extreme or fuel loadings high. Regardless of fire intensity, undergrowth vegetation is likely to recover rapidly and coniferous regeneration is likely to be prompt.

In most cases, fires will increase browse production. Intense fires, however, will probably reduce huckleberry production for at least 10 years. 8/

#### Ecoclass Group 7

The Group 7 habitat types are wet environments ususally located in valley bottoms or lower slopes. The complete list is as follows:

PICEA/EQAR	ABLA/GATR
PICEA/GATR	ABLA/CACA
PICEA/SMST	ABLA/CACA-CACA
THPL/OPHO	ABLA/CACA-GATR
ABLA/OPHO	ABLA/CACA-VACA
	ABLA/ALSI

In the reconnaissance last summer, the only field plot sampled in this group was identified as being in the spruce/starry solomon's seal h.t. Holdorf listed subalpine fir/sweet-scented bedstraw, subalpine fir/common horsetail and subalpine fir/bluejoint as being in the landtype associations of the study area.

Certain generalizations can be inferred from the vegetation, which, compared with that on habitat types dominated by lodgepole pine, is much more likely to include old-growth stands dominated by tolerant species. The amount of heavy fuels is likely to be greater. Habeck 9/ reported these relationships in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness. The fuels inventory will quantify the relationships in the study area.

Along with others, Arno 10/ found evidence of greater fire frequencies on drier sites compared with wetter sites. Sneck 11/, in studying the fire history of the Coram Experimental Forest, found indications of more frequent and less intense fires on Douglas fir sites compared with moister hemlock sites.

Under most burning conditions, this group of habitat types is quite resilient to wildfires. Ground or surface fires on adjacent areas are unlikely to spread into these wet sites except as small spot fires. Using the methodology of Rothermel and Brown, Habeck found the old-aged streamside stands to have the lowest predicted fire spread rates. In narrow draws and under extreme conditons, these habitat types are susceptible to stand replacement burns. In broad valley bottoms the mosaic of water and wet meadows serves as a fuel break which protects portions of timber stands from burning. For several reasons, rapid vegetative recovery can be expected on these habitat types. The most important factor is moist to wet soils that protect underground parts of plants which sprout after fire. Abundant moisture also favors establishment of seedlings. Patches of vegetation are likely to escape the fire and serve as seed sources. Research by Lyon and Stickney 12/ showed that revegetation from surviving species accounted for 87, 71, and 84 percent of the composition of the first year community.



### Habitat Types Persistently Dominated by Seral Lodgepole Pine

Although capable of growing on practically all but the coldest and driest Montana habitat types, lodgepole pine is consistently the dominant seral tree species in only a few. In these habitat types, lodgepole pine-dominated stands have been maintained for centuries by the natural occurrence of fires. The habitat types indicate a moderate temperature range and a fairly narrow moisture range. In the south portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area, lodgepole pine was found to be the major or sole seral-dominant species in the following habitat types:

PSME/CARU-ARUV  
PSME/VAGL-VAGL  
PICEA/VACA  
PICEA/CLUN-VACA  
PICEA/LIBO  
ABLA/VACA  
ABLA/XETE-VACA  
ABLA/VASC-VASC

Pfister refers to lodgepole pine as the major or sole seral-dominant on all of these habitat types except Douglas fir/pinegrass-kinnikinnick, which was identified at the ecotone of the subalpine fir/dwarf huckleberry habitat type. On the latter habitat type, lodgepole pine is described as "the sole dominant in nearly all stands sampled and it was often reproducing better than other conifers." This characteristic was typical in the study area; in many places there were inadequate subalpine fir to key into the subalpine fir series, and it does not seem likely that subalpine fir could ever dominate some of the sites. Among the habitat types listed as being present in the study area, the following are also likely to be dominated by lodgepole pine:

PSME/VAGL-XETE  
ABLA/LIBO-VASC  
ABLA/CACA-VACA  
ABLA/XETE-VAGL

Besides being characterized by lodgepole pine stands, these habitat types share similarities in undergrowth vegetation, which is largely composed of short shrubs with varying amounts of beargrass, pinegrass or elk sedge. Climax or other shade-tolerant conifers are often sparse in the understory and unless mortality has added significant ground fuels, the highly inflammable crowns are isolated from fires in the undergrowth vegetation. Most of the lodgepole pine stands in the Danaher and Basin Creek areas fit this description. Ground fuels in those areas have not changed significantly for at least several decades.

Gabriel (1976) documented the occurrence of low-intensity fires at 20 to 40-year intervals at the southern half of his study area and found evidence of larger stand-destroying fires at the northern half. Arno (1976) reported the occurrence of ground fires so low in intensity that little of the overstory is killed and the stand is not opened enough to allow for establishing a new age class. The data could be misinterpreted. Low-intensity fires have burned in stands where the mountain pine beetle is setting the stage for stand-replacement burns.

Brown (1975) noted that fire can create more fuel in a shorter time than other mortality factors. Muraro (1971) describes some of the fire/fuel interactions related to three levels of fire intensity in lodgepole pine: (1) After a low-intensity fire, weakened trees die, become snags, then fall. Ground fuel quantities build up moderately. (2) After a moderate-intensity fire that has crowned, ground fuel will become abundant for an extended period. (3) After a high-intensity fire, deep burning over most of the area assures complete downfall in a short time. Ground fuel quantities are high after the fire but because intense burning eliminates the small branches, most of the fuel is of large size and lies close to the ground where it is less flammable and more rapidly decomposed.

After a fire of moderate intensity, the burned area would likely support dense regeneration; and with the heavy ground fuels, it would later be prone to high-intensity fire. If the fire occurred in a young stand, the limited seed would probably be destroyed and a very open stand or no stand would result. Most of the stands observed in the study area were moderately stocked and they show a very small amount of suppression mortality.

Muraro suggests that a natural process of fuel modification by fire intensity may discourage second fires of high intensity on severely burned areas and encourage high-intensity fires on areas that have been moderately burned.

Lyman 13/ estimates that the fire hazard in lodgepole pine peaks 25 years after a replacement burn. Thirty-five years after its peak, the hazard has declined 50 percent; in 60 years it has been reduced to a moderate level.

Leiberg 14/ believed that the large, high-intensity fires were due to the large quantities of dead material accumulated partly from past fires and partly from suppression mortality. The large area of heavy fuels on parts of the Bitterroot and Beaverhead Forests is the result of a mountain pine beetle epidemic. Suppression mortality is a major factor in the accumulation of ground fuels, and the timing of its occurrence is highly variable. Breakage from wind and snow is hard to predict. Predicting fuels and fire potential using combinations of stand density, average dbh, age, and habitat types is also risky.



According to Brown (1975) 15/, the accumulation of ground fuels and related fire intensity potential seems to follow two consistencies: (1) fuel quantities and fire potential become predictably high as stands reach over-maturity; and (2) fuel quantities and fire potential in young and immature stands cannot be predicted from age alone.

The effect of a fire on a given habitat type depends greatly on fire intensity, plant composition (stage of succession), and stand structure.

For the perpetration of lodgepole pine stands, the amount of serotinous cones is also important; this seed source may be absent from near-climax vegetation. In the study area and in the habitat types under discussion, the seed source is almost always adequate. Low-intensity fires will prepare sites for an understory of lodgepole pine; high-intensity fires usually kill the overstory and prepare sites for even-aged stands. Regeneration is likely to be prompt except in the few places where lodgepole pine is invading grasslands.

Presently the majority of lodgepole pine stands in the study area have light amounts of ground fuels, and under most conditions fires would burn at low intensities. Some of the stands, however, are probably susceptible to mountain pine beetle attacks and the fuels could increase greatly in a few years. Lodgepole pine will dominate the tree seedling stands following fire. Growth to breast height will take about 10 years.

Johnson 16/, in Wyoming, found that soil water depletion was reduced 11.1 cm in the year after the clearcutting of lodgepole pine on glacial till.

He referred to another study that revealed an average increase in water content of 13.3 cm. from small patch cuts in lodgepole pine in Colorado. The effects of fire on undergrowth vegetation vary with fire intensity, but from most standpoints they will be relatively minor in this group of habitat types. The more mesic plants like Twinflower will decrease, while grasses and annuals will increase. This group of habitat types has undergrowth communities of short shrubs, forbs and graminoids. Important browse species are generally absent.

#### Sagebrush 17/

More than 90 percent of big sagebrush plants can be killed by burning. The composition of herbaceous vegetation is not greatly altered by fire. Grass production commonly doubles after sagebrush removal, but the actual production on the sagebrush habitat type of the South Fork Drainage is not expected to be significant because of soil limitations. Forb production also increases after sagebrush removal, but again, the actual production is not likely to be high. The conversion of a mountain sagebrush stand to herbaceous vegetation reduced seasonal moisture withdrawal about 15 percent. The effect of wildfire on sagebrush has been estimated to last 15 to 30 years.

### Ecoclass Group 8

This is a cold and moderately dry to moist group of habitat types found in the upper subalpine and timberline zone.

Habitat types in group 8 are listed below:

Because of dominance by lodgepole pine, subalpine fir/grouse whortleberry-grouse whortleberry is covered in another group. Stands in this group vary greatly in density and continuity due to rocky lands, avalanche paths, old burns and shrub fields. Although the discontinuity of forest cover may suggest the existence of some areas that have been exempt from past fires, Habeck and Mutch 18/ reported that searching has always yielded some charcoal in the subalpine fir/woodrush-menziessia habitat type located adjacent to this group; and Bigler 19/ found charred wood in all stands, even in stands supporting 300-year-old spruce, and estimated large fire periodicity at 250 to 400 years. Coniferous regeneration is extremely slow after fires. Revegetation of denuded areas by undergrowth plants is also slow, but such areas are likely to be small and scattered. The large infrequent stand replacement fires in this group generally start in adjacent drier sites.

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# appendix

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L.T. - **LTA-Ia** Classification **Historic Cryaquept fine-silty (mixed)** Date **7/12/78** By **PG/AMM** Photo # **9** Stop # **9**

2. Area **Danaher Meadow** Forest **FLHD** Range District **SEC. 8** State **T. 18N R. 11W** Location **SEC. 8**

3. Parent Rock **Alluvial Bottom Wet** Formation Name **FLHD** Surf. Stone & Rock % **+** +

4. Landform **Alluvial Bottom Wet** Slope **0** Aspect **Flat** Elev. **6200** Ft. Erosion **+** +

5. Precip. In. **50** °F Lit. Type **+** +

HORIZON	DEPTH	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-ACTION	BOUNDARY	PERCOLATION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			
Aoo	16-14	10YR 3/6 Crushed		organic	-	WNS	-	-			7.0	gs	
Ao	14-10	10YR 2/1		organic	-	WNS	-	-			7.5	gs	
O <sub>1</sub>	10-0	10YR 2/1		organic	1 fer	M vfr	-	-	②		7.5	CS	
II B <sub>12</sub>	0-8	10YR 3/4		si	2mpl	M vfr	-	-	①		7.5	cw	
II B <sub>122</sub>	8-18	10YR 5/6		si	2mpl	M vfr	-	-			7.5	CS	
II C <sub>1g</sub>	18-48	5YR 4/3		1	M	WNS	-	5%			7.5	CS	
II C <sub>2g</sub>	48-60	5YR 5/2	fit mottles 5Y 5/8	si cl	M	WP	-	-					

10°C - 50°F @ 20"

① Darker color may be due to dry root penetration

② organic material is sapric

9. (Species)	TREES (Amt.)	(Species)	SHRUBS (Amt.)	(Species)	FORBS (Amt.)	(Species)	GRASSES (Amt.)
	Bog Birch 25%		Aster		Rushes (small) 50%		
	Patentilla 5%				grasses 20%		
	Willow 3%				masses - 50%		

L.T. - **LTA-IV** Classification **Typic Cryoboralf, loamy-skeletal** Date **7/12/78** By **PG/AMM** Photo # **10** Stop # **10**

2. Area **Scapegoat** Forest **L&C** Range District **D-2** State **MT** County **SEC. 28** Location **T. 19N R. 10W**

3. Parent Rock **DF/Vag1** Formation Name **DF/Vag1** Surf. Stone & Rock % **+** +

4. Landform **DF/Vag1** Slope **25-60%** Aspect **S** Elev. **6800** Ft. Erosion **+** +

5. Precip. In. **50** °F Lit. Type **Moderate** Infiltration **+** +

HORIZON	DEPTH	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-ACTION	BOUNDARY	PERCOLATION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			
O <sub>1</sub>	2-0"	Black O.M.		needles duff, charcoal									
A <sub>1</sub>	0-4"	7.5YR 4/2		sil	1 mabk dsh 2 mgr mfr	20%							
B <sub>2t</sub>	4-12"	5YR 4/3		sil	2 m-f dsh abk mfr	40%							

Maybe old slump but unsure, well dissected and drained limestone could be residual or massive block glide.

9. (Species)	TREES (Amt.)	(Species)	SHRUBS (Amt.)	(Species)	FORBS (Amt.)	(Species)	GRASSES (Amt.)

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L.T. - LTA - III		Classification		Date		By		Photo #		Stop #	
2. Area		Forest		Range District		State		County		Location	
Little Calf Creek		FLHD		Big Prairie		MT				SEC. 12 T. 18 N. R. 12 W. +	
3. Parent Rock		Formation Name		Surf. Stone & Rock		%		+		+	
PE m		red argillite and siltite									
4. Landform		Slope		Aspect		Elev.		Ft.		Erosion	
Hummocky Ground Moraine		15%		S		5700					
H.T. - AF/YACA		Precip.		In.		Av. Temp.		Lit. Type		Infiltration	
						10°C				Drain. Well	
6. HORIZON		COLOR		TEXTURE		STRUCTURE		CONSIST.		SPECIAL FEATURES	
DEPTH		Dry, Moist, Crushed						Dry, Moist, Wet, Cem.		Clay Films, Stone Rock % Vol., Roots, Pores	
CM		Mottling						pH		BOUNDARY, PERCOLATION CLASS	
A <sub>0</sub> 3-0		5YR 3/2								Organic Mat - mycelium abundant	
A <sub>1</sub> 0-3		5YR 3/2		sil		cr		Mvfr		50	
B <sub>1r</sub> 3-10		2.5YR 3/6		gr sil		2f cr		Mvfr		5%	
II A <sub>2</sub> 10-28		5YR 4/3		gr sil		2m SBK		Mfr		35%	
II A+B 28-46		5YR 5/3		gr sil		2m SBK		Mfr		30%	
I B <sub>2t</sub> 46-52		2.5YR 4/4		gr sil		2m SBK		Mfi		40%	
C 52-60		2.5YR 4/4		gr sil		M		Mvfi		40%	
										10°C - 50°F @ 20"	
9. (Species)		TREES (Amt.)		(Species)		SHRUBS (Amt.)		(Species)		FORBS (Amt.)	
		AF				Xete				Lupine	

L.T. - LTA IV		Classification		Date		By		Photo #		Stop #	
2. Area		Forest		Range District		State		County		Location	
Danaher Basin		FLHD		SBRD		MT		L&C		SEC. 8 T. 18 N. R. 11 W. +	
3. Parent Rock		Formation Name		Surf. Stone & Rock		%		+		+	
Argillite & Limestone		PE m + Eu									
4. Landform		Slope		Aspect		Elev.		Ft.		Erosion	
Dissected Lacustrine		10%		E		5400					
H.T. - ABLA/YACA		Precip.		In.		Av. Temp.		Lit. Type		Infiltration	
						47°F				Drain.	
6. HORIZON		COLOR		TEXTURE		STRUCTURE		CONSIST.		SPECIAL FEATURES	
DEPTH		Dry, Moist, Crushed						Dry, Moist, Wet, Cem.		Clay Films, Stone Rock % Vol., Roots, Pores	
CM		Mottling						pH		BOUNDARY, PERCOLATION CLASS	
A <sub>0</sub> 4-0						Duff Layer					
A <sub>1</sub> 0-2		10YR 2/2		sil		lf cr				0-4.5	
A <sub>2</sub> 2-12		7.5YR 5/2		sil		2m pl				- 5.0	
A+B 12-34		5YR 5/3		Hv sil		2m pl - 2m SBK		Thin clay films		E 7.0	
B <sub>2t</sub> 34-44		5YR 4/2		sil		2m SBK		Thick clay flows		Ev 8.0	
C 44-60		5YR 6/3		si		pl-m				Ev 8+	
										8°C - 47°F @ 20"	
										No loess cap	
										① A <sub>1</sub> contains considerable charcoal (Ranch site)	
9. (Species)		TREES (Amt.)		(Species)		SHRUBS (Amt.)		(Species)		FORBS (Amt.)	



L.T. - LTA - II 6

Classification: *typic Cryochrept, Loamy-skeletal (mixed)*

2. Area: **DANAHER area** Forest: **FLHD** Range District: **SBRD** State: **MT** County: **LEC** Location: **SEC. 4 T. 18N R. 11W**

3. Parent Rock: **pEm** Formation Name: **Green Siltite** Surf. Stone & Rock: **+** %: **+**

4. Landform: **Ridge top - convex** Slope: **15% breaking to 40%** Aspect: **NE** Elev.: **5900** Ft. Erosion: **+** Gul.: **+** Alk.: **+** Sal.: **+**

H.T.: **DEKarn - Caru** Precip.: **In.** Av. Temp.: **V°F** Lit. Type: **Infiltration** Drain.: **Water Tab.** Ft.

HORIZON	DEPTH	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-ACTION PH	BOUNDARY	PERCOLATION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			
Ao	3-0	10YR 2/2		grty sil		Mvfr		5%				6.0	
A11	0-8	10YR 4/2		gr fsl	1f cr	Mfr		30%				5.0	
A12	8-30	7.5YR 4/2		vgr sil	1m cr	Mfr		65%				5.5	
IC	30-40	10YR 5/3		vgr sil	2m SBK	Mfi		65%				5.8	
R	40+	-		-	M	-		90%					

Temp 8°C or 45°F @ 20"

changes to AF/Libo 100' Downslope

9. (Species)	TREES (Amt.)	(Species)	SHRUBS (Amt.)	(Species)	FORBS (Amt.)	(Species)	GRASSES (Amt.)
DF - 3		Spbe		Strawberry		Caru	
ES - (Ti)				glacier lily			
LPP				Vetch			

L.T. - LTA - III (incl. of Ib) Andic Cryochrept, Loamy-skeletal (mixed)

2. Area: **Little Calf Creek** Forest: **FLHD** Range District: **SBRD** State: **MT** County: **LEC** Location: **SEC. 6 T. 18N R. 11W**

3. Parent Rock: **Red Argillite & Quartzite** Formation Name: **pEm middle missoula** Surf. Stone & Rock: **+** %: **+**

4. Landform: **Bench Terrace** Slope: **3%** Aspect: **Flat** Elev.: **5400** Ft. Erosion: **+** Gul.: **+** Alk.: **+** Sal.: **+**

H.T.: **ABLA/VACA** Precip.: **In.** Av. Temp.: **V°F** Lit. Type: **Infiltration** Drain.: **Water Tab.** Ft.

HORIZON	DEPTH	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-ACTION PH	BOUNDARY	PERCOLATION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			
Ao	3-0	10YR 2/2											
Bir	0-28	7.5YR 4/4		sil 1f cr		Mvfr	-	15%	PLNTL			5.5 CW	
IB <sub>2</sub>	28-40	5YR 4/3		grl	1m SBK	Mfr		25%	few			5.5 GW	
IC	40+	5YR 4/3		vgr ls sg		Mfr		50%				6.0	

sand & gravel

- gravels are 60% 1/4-3/4" 20% 3/4-3" 10% 3"+

- Temp 8°C - 45°F @ 20"

A11 4" 5YR 2/2 II Drainage - Prairie Veg. in

A12 10" 5YR 3/2 near by meadow

9. (Species)	TREES (Amt.)	(Species)	SHRUBS (Amt.)	(Species)	FORBS (Amt.)	(Species)	GRASSES (Amt.)
LPP		Juniper		Tall Vaca (15cm)		Caru	
SAF				aruv		Horsetail	
ES (Ti)				Patenulla			
WBP(T) Seeding							



L.T. - LTA - I b

Classification: Aquic Cryoboroll loamy skeletal (mixed)

Date: 7/10/78 By: JAM Photo # 3 Stop # 3

2. Area: Danaher Cabin Forest: FLHD Range: Big Prairie State: MT County: Location: SEC. 5 T. 18 N. R. 11 W

3. Parent Rock: DE m Formation Name: Missoula

4. Landform: Alluvial Fan Slope: 3% Aspect: W Elev.: 5200 Ft. Erosion: Gul.: Alk.: Sal.: + +

H.T. - LPP/Feid Precip.: In. Av. Temp.: 12°C Lit. Type: Infiltration: Drain.: Excess Water Tab.: Ft.

HORIZON	DEPTH cm	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST. Dry, Moist Wet, Cem.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-AC-TION pH	BOUND-ARY	PER-COLA-TION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			

A11	0-25	5YR 3/1		sil	cr	mvfr	-	5%	Many		6.0	gw
A12	25-40	5YR 2/2	7.5YR 4/2	gr fs	cr	mvfr	-	30%	Many		6.0	gw
A13	40-60	5YR 2/2		gr fs	cr	mvfr	-	35%	Many		6.0	gw
C	60+	7.5YR 3/2		vgr fs	sg	m1	-	80%	Few		6.0	

① gravels 1/4 to 3/4" few to 1 1/2", green siltite, red quartzite or siliceous argillite

② Temp 12°C - 55°F @ 20"

- administrative site - good, sub-irrigated pasture soils range from gr sil fluvents to 10-20" of

- shape is convex/convex

9. (Species) TREES (Amt.) (Species) SHRUBS (Amt.) (Species) FORBS (Amt.) (Species) GRASSES (Amt.)

LPP - T PoFr-1 MTN Dandelion Resc-3

Geutri-T Beard Tongue Feid-2

- Dwarf Huckleberry in understory (LPP) in adjoining area

- No SAF or DF evident

L.T. - LTA - III

Classification: Typic Cryoboroll coarse-loamy (mixed)

Date: 7/10/78 By: JAM Photo # 4 Stop # 4

2. Area: Danaher Basin Forest: FLHD Range: Big Prairie State: MT County: Location: SEC. 4 T. 18 N. R. 11 W

3. Parent Rock: Ew Formation Name: Missoula

4. Landform: Ice margin Slope: 10% Aspect: W Elev.: 5200 Ft. Erosion: Gul.: Alk.: Sal.: + +

H.T. - S/Vaca Precip.: In. Av. Temp.: °F Lit. Type: Infiltration: Drain.: Water Tab.: Ft.

HORIZON	DEPTH cm	COLOR		TEXTURE	STRUCTURE	CONSIST. Dry, Moist Wet, Cem.	SPECIAL FEATURES				RE-AC-TION pH	BOUND-ARY	PER-COLA-TION CLASS
		Dry, Moist, Crushed	Mottling				Clay Films	Stone Rock % Vol.	Roots	Pores			

A0	2.50			organic	Duff Layer							
A11	0-5	10YR 3/2		sil	lf cr	mvfr	-	-	M		7.0	
A12	5-10	7.5YR 3/2		sil	1m sbk 2f cr	mvfr	-	-	M		7.5	
A13	10-30	5YR 4/2		vfs	2m sbk	mvfr	-	-	M	Es	8.0	
Cca	30-65	7.5YR 4/2		vfs	1c pi - m	m	-	-	F	Ev	8.0+	

Calcareous vfs from sand dune ?  
Dissected lacustrine bench

9. (Species) TREES (Amt.) (Species) SHRUBS (Amt.) (Species) FORBS (Amt.) (Species) GRASSES (Amt.)

LPP showy cinquefoil strawberries caru

DF Aruv lupine (silly) fesc

ES anemone Nuttide



## MONTANA HABITAT TYPE FIELD FORM

R1- 2410-15H (6/77)

NAME <u>D. On</u>			DATE <u>7/10/78</u>		
(CODE DESCRIPTION)			Plot No. <u>1</u>		
HORIZONTAL CONFIGURATION:			Location <u>533 T 18N 533 2</u>		
CANOPY COVERAGE CLASS:			T. R. S. <u>R11W R11W</u>		
1-Ridge 1-Convex (dry)			Elevation <u>5400 5400</u>		
2-Upper slope 2-Straight			Aspect <u>SW SW</u>		
3-Mid slope 3-Concave (wet)			Slope <u>3 50</u>		
4-Lower slope 4-Undulating			Topography <u>5 4</u>		
5-Bench or flat			Configuration <u>2 2</u>		
6-Stream bottom					
NOTE: Rate trees (>4" dbh) and regen (0-4" dbh) separately (e.g., 4/2)					
TREES	Scientific Name	Abbrev	Common Name	Canopy Coverage Class	
1.	Abies grandis	ABGR	grand fir	-	/
2.	Abies lasiocarpa	ABLA	subalpine fir	-	/
3.	Larix lyallii	LALY	alpine larch	-	/
4.	Larix occidentalis	LAOC	western larch	-	/
5.	Picea engelmannii	PIEN	Engelmann spruce	-	/
6.	Picea glauca	PIGL	white spruce	-	/
7.	Pinus albicaulis	PIAL	whitebark pine	-	/
8.	Pinus contorta	PICO	lodgepole pine	-	/
9.	Pinus flexilis	PIFL	limber pine	-	/
10.	Pinus monticola	PIMO	western white pine	-	/
11.	Pinus ponderosa	PIPO	ponderosa pine	-	/
12.	Pseudotsuga menziesii	PSME	Douglas-fir	-	/
13.	Thuja plicata	THPL	western redcedar	-	/
14.	Tsuga heterophylla	TSHE	western hemlock	-	/
15.	Tsuga mertensiana	TSME	mountain hemlock	-	/
SHRUBS AND SUBSHRUBS					
1.	Alnus sinuata	ALSI	Sitka alder	-	/
2.	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	ARUV	kinnikinnick	-	/
3.	Berberis repens	BERE	creeping Oregon grape	-	/
4.	Cornus canadensis	COCA	bunchberry dogwood	-	/
5.	Holodiscus discolor	HODI	ocean spray	-	/
6.	Juniperus communis (+ horizontalis)	JUCO	common (+ creeping) juniper	-	/
7.	Ledum glandulosum	LEGL	Labrador tea	-	/
8.	Linnaea borealis	LIBO	twinflower	-	/
9.	Menziesia ferruginea	MEFE	menziesia	-	/
10.	Oplopanax horridum	OPHO	devil's club	-	/
11.	Physocarpus malvaceus	PHMA	ninebark	-	/
12.	Prunus virginiana	PRVI	chokecherry	-	/
13.	Purshia tridentata	PUTR	bitterbrush	-	/
14.	Ribes montigenum	RTMO	mountain gooseberry	-	/
15.	Shepherdia canadensis	SHCA	buffaloberry	-	/
16.	Spiraea betulifolia	SPBE	white spiraea	-	/
17.	Symphoricarpos albus	SYAL	common snowberry	-	/
18.	Symphoricarpos oreophilus	SYOR	mountain snowberry	-	/
19.	Vaccinium caespitosum	VACA	dwarf huckleberry	-	/
20.	Vaccinium globulare (+ membranaceum)	VAGL	blue huckleberry	-	/
21.	Vaccinium scoparium (+ myrtillus)	VASC	grouse whortleberry	-	/
PERENNIAL GRAMINOIDS					
1.	Agropyron spicatum	AGSP	bluebunch wheatgrass	-	/
2.	Andropogon spp.	AND	bluestem	-	/
3.	Calamagrostis canadensis	CACA	bluejoint	-	/
4.	Calamagrostis rubescens	CARU	pinegrass	-	/
5.	Carex geyeri	CAGE	elk sedge	-	/
6.	Festuca idahoensis	FEID	Idaho fescue	-	/
7.	Festuca scabrella	FESC	rough fescue	-	/
8.	Luzula hitchcockii (= glabrata)	LUHI	wood-rush	-	/
PERENNIAL FORBS AND FERNS					
1.	Actaea rubra	ACRU	baneberry	-	/
2.	Antennaria racemosa	ANRA	woods pussytoes	-	/
3.	Aralia nudicaulis	ARNU	wild sarsaparilla	-	/
4.	Arnica cordifolia	ARCO	heartleaf arnica	-	/
5.	Athyrium filix-femina	ATFI	lady fern	-	/
6.	Balsamorhiza sagittata	BASA	arrowleaf balsamroot	-	/
7.	Clematis pseudoalpina (+ tenuiloba)	CLPS	virgin's bower	-	/
8.	Clintonia uniflora	CLUN	queencup beadlily	-	/
9.	Equisetum arvense	EQAR	common horsetail	-	/
10.	Equisetum spp.	EQ	horsetails & scouring rush	-	/
11.	Galium triflorum	GATR	sweet-scented bedstraw	-	/
12.	Gymnocarpium dryopteris	GYDR	oak fern	-	/
13.	Senecio streptanthifolius	SEST	cleft-leaf groundsel	-	/
14.	Senecio triangularis	SETR	arrowleaf groundsel	-	/
15.	Smilacina stellata	SMST	starry Solomon's seal	-	/
16.	Streptopus amplexifolius	STAM	twisted stalk	-	/
17.	Thalictrum occidentale	THOC	western meadowrue	-	/
18.	Valeriana sitchensis	VASI	Sitka valerian	-	/
19.	Viola orbiculata	VIOR	round-leaved violet	-	/
20.	Xerophyllum tenax	XETE	beargrass	-	/
PUBLISHED AS PART OF "FOREST HABITAT TYPES OF MONTANA" - INT 1977			SERIES	HABITAT TYPE PHASE	
USDA-FOREST SERVICE			ABLA	PSME	
			VACA	CAGE	

Pop tre T Pop tre

Only one Jun sco T  
plant in  
area

## MONTANA HABITAT TYPE FIELD FORM

R1- 2410-15H (6/77)

NAME <u>D. O. W.</u>		DATE <u>7/10/78</u>	
(CODE DESCRIPTION)		Plot No.	
TOPOGRAPHY:		Location	<u>56 T/18N</u>
1-Ridge		T, R, S	<u>54 T/18N</u>
2-Upper slope		Elevation	<u>5300</u>
3-Mid slope		Aspect	<u>Flat</u>
4-Lower slope		Slope	<u>0</u>
5-Bench or flat		Topography	<u>5</u>
6-Stream bottom		Configuration	<u>2</u>
HORIZONTAL CONFIGURATION:			
1-Convex (dry)			
2-Straight			
3-Concave (wet)			
4-Undulating			
CANOPY COVERAGE CLASS:			
0=Absent			
3=25 to 50%			
T=Rare to 1%			
4=50 to 75%			
1=1 to 5%			
5=75 to 95%			
2=5 to 25%			
6=95 to 100%			
NOTE: Rate trees (>4" dbh) and regen (0-4" dbh) separately (e.g., 4/2)			
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1.	Abies grandis	ABGR	grand fir
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4.	Larix occidentalis	LAOC	western larch
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5.	Holodiscus discolor	HODI	ocean spray
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7.	Ledum glandulosum	LEGL	Labrador tea
8.	Linnaea borealis	LIBO	twainflower
9.	Menziesia ferruginea	MEFE	menziesia
10.	Oplopanax horridum	OPHO	devil's club
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19.	Vaccinium caespitosum	VACA	dwarf huckleberry
20.	Vaccinium globulare (+ membranaceum)	VAGL	blue huckleberry
21.	Vaccinium scoparium (+ myrtillus)	VASC	grouse whortleberry
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2.	Andropogon spp.	AND	bluestem
3.	Calamagrostis canadensis	CACA	bluejoint
4.	Calamagrostis rubescens	CARU	pinegrass
5.	Carex geyeri	CAGE	elk sedge
6.	Festuca idahoensis	FEID	Idaho fescue
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5.	Athyrium filix-femina	ATFI	lady fern
6.	Balsamorhiza sagittata	BASA	arrowleaf balsamroot
7.	Clematis pseudoalpina (+ tenuiloba)	CLPS	virgin's bower
8.	Clintonia uniflora	CLUN	queencup beadlily
9.	Equisetum arvense	EQAR	common horsetail
10.	Equisetum spp.	EQU	horsetails & scouring rush
11.	Galium triflorum	GATR	sweet-scented bedstraw
12.	Gymnocarpium dryopteris	GYDR	oak fern
13.	Senecio streptanthifolius	SEST	cleft-leaf groundsel
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17.	Thalictrum occidentale	THOC	western meadowrue
18.	Valeriana sitchensis	VASI	sitka valerian
19.	Viola orbiculata	VIOR	round-leaved violet
20.	Xerophyllum tenax	XETE	beargrass
PUBLISHED AS PART OF "FOREST HABITAT TYPES OF MONTANA" - INT 1977		SERIES	<u>Abia</u>
JSDA-FOREST SERVICE		HABITAT TYPE	<u>Vaca</u>
		PHASE	<u>1</u>

OVER

AF/Liba all present in stand  
100' down north slope  
z/p probably Abia series

## MONTANA HABITAT TYPE FIELD FORM

NAME

D. On

DATE

7/11/78

## (CODE DESCRIPTION)

TOPOGRAPHY:	HORIZONTAL CONFIGURATION:	VEGETATION COVERAGE:
		CLASS (1%)
1-Ridge	1-Convex (dry)	0-None
2-Upper slope	2-Straight	3-25 to 50
3-Mid slope	3-Concave (wet)	4-50 to 75
4-Lower slope		5-75 to 95
5-Bench or flat	4-Undulating	6-95 to 100
6-Streambottom		

Plot No.

Location

T, R, S

Elevation

Aspect

Slope

Topography

Configuration

7

8

10

T18N R12W

T18N R12W

T18N R12W

5700

5600

5400

SE

NE

E

15%

20%

10%

4

6

5

3

3

1

NOTE: Rate trees (&gt;4") and regen (0-4") separately (e.g., 4/2)

TREES	Scientific Name	Abbrev	Common Name	7	8	10
1.	Abies grandis	GF	Grand fir	-	-	-
2.	Abies lasiocarpa	AF	Subalpine fir	-	-	-
3.	Larix lyallii	AL	Alpine larch	-	-	-
4.	Larix occidentalis	WL	Western larch	-	-	-
5.	Picea engelmannii	ES	Engelmann spruce	-	-	-
6.	Picea glauca	WS	White spruce	-	-	-
7.	Pinus albicaulis	WBP	Whitebark pine	-	-	-
8.	Pinus contorta	LPP	Lodgepole pine	-	-	-
9.	Pinus flexilis	PF	Limber pine	-	-	-
10.	Pinus monticola	WP	Western white pine	-	-	-
11.	Pinus ponderosa	PP	Ponderosa pine	-	-	-
12.	Pseudotsuga menziesii	DF	Douglas-fir	-	-	-
13.	Thuja plicata	WRC	Western red cedar	-	-	-
14.	Tsuga heterophylla	WH	Western hemlock	-	-	-
15.	Tsuga mertensiana	MH	Mountain hemlock	-	-	-

SHRUBS	Scientific Name	Abbrev	Common Name	7	8	10
1.	Alnus sinuata	Als1	Mountain alder	-	-	-
2.	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Aruv	Kinnikinnick	-	-	-
3.	Berberis repens	Bere	Creeping Oregon grape	-	-	-
4.	Cornus canadensis	Coca	Bunchberry dogwood	-	-	-
5.	Holodiscus discolor	Hodi	Ocean spray	-	-	-
6.	Juniperus communis (+ horizontalis)	Juco	Common (+ creeping) juniper	-	-	-
7.	Ledum glandulosum	Legl	Laborador tea	-	-	-
8.	Linnaea borealis	Libo	Twin flower	-	-	-
9.	Menziesia ferruginea	Mefe	Menziesia	-	-	-
10.	Oplopanax horridum	Opho	Devil's club	-	-	-
	Physocarpus malvaceus	Phma	Ninebark	-	-	-
	Prunus virginiana	Prvi	Chokecherry	-	-	-
	Purshia tridentata	Putr	Bitterbrush	-	-	-
14.	Ribes montigenum	Rimo	Mountain gooseberry	-	-	-
15.	Shepherdia canadensis	Shca	Buffalo-berry	-	-	-
16.	Spiraea betulifolia	Apbe	White spirea	-	-	-
17.	Symphoricarpos albus	Syal	Snowberry	-	-	-
18.	Vaccinium caespitosum	Vaca	Dwarf huckleberry	-	-	-
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3.	Calamagrostis canadensis	Caca	Bluejoint	-	-	-
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5.	Carex geyeri	Cage	Elk sedge	-	-	-
6.	Festuca idahoensis	Feid	Idaho fescue	-	-	-
7.	Festuca scabrella	Fesc	Rough fescue	-	-	-
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4.	Arnica cordifolia	Arco	Heartleaf arnica	-	-	-
5.	Athyrium filix-femina	Atfi	Lady fern	-	-	-
6.	Balsamorhiza sagittata	Basa	Arrowleaf balsamroot	-	-	-
7.	Clematis pseudoalpina (+ tenuiloba)	Clps	Virgin's bower	-	-	-
8.	Clintonia uniflora	Clun	Queen cup beadlily	-	-	-
9.	Equisetum arvense	Egar	Common horsetail	-	-	-
10.	Equisetum spp.	EQUI	Horsetails & scouring rush	-	-	-
11.	Galium triflorum	Gatr	Sweet-scented bedstraw	-	-	-
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14.	Senecio triangularis	Setr	Arrowleaf groundsel	-	-	-
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16.	Streptopus amplexifolius	Stam	Twisted stalk	-	-	-
17.	Thalictrum occidentale	Thoc	Western meadowrue	-	-	-
	Valeriana sitchensis	Vasi	Sitka valerian	-	-	-
	Viola orbiculata	Vior	Round-leaved violet	-	-	-
	Xerophyllum tenax	Xete	Beargrass	-	-	-

SERIES  
HABITAT TYPE  
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## MONTANA HABITAT TYPE FIELD FORM

R1- 2410-15H (6/77)

AME <u>D.O.n</u>		DATE <u>7/12/78</u>		DATE <u>7/13</u>	
(CODE DESCRIPTION)		Plot No.		Plot No.	
TOPOGRAPHY:		Location		Location	
HORIZONTAL CONFIGURATION:		T, R, S		T, R, S	
CANOPY COVERAGE CLASS:		Elevation		Elevation	
1-Ridge		Aspect		Aspect	
2-Upper slope		Slope		Slope	
3-Mid slope		Topography		Topography	
4-Lower slope		Configuration		Configuration	
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4.	Cornus canadensis	COCA	bunchberry dogwood		
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6.	Juniperus communis (+ horizontalis)	JUCO	common (+ creeping) juniper		
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9.	Menziesia ferruginea	MEFE	menziesia		
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3.	Aralia nudicaulis	ARNU	wild sarsaparilla		
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5.	Athyrium filix-femina	ATFI	lady fern		
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10.	Equisetum spp.	EQU	horsetails & scouring rush		
11.	Galium triflorum	GATR	sweet-scented bedstraw		
12.	Gymnocarpium dryopteris	GYDR	oak fern		
13.	Senecio streptanthifolius	SEST	cleft-leaf groundsel		
14.	Senecio triangularis	SETR	arrowleaf groundsel		
15.	Smilacina stellata	SMST	starry Solomon's seal		
16.	Streptopus amplexifolius	STAM	twisted stalk		
17.	Thalictrum occidentale	THOC	western meadowrue		
18.	Valeriana sitchensis	VASI	sitka valerian		
19.	Viola orbiculata	VIOR	round-leaved violet		
20.	Xerophyllum tenax	XETE	beargrass		
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ME <u>D.O. H. Haldorf</u>		DATE <u>7/14/78</u>	
(CODE DESCRIPTION)		Plot No.	
TOPOGRAPHY:		Location	
HORIZONTAL		T, R, S	
CONFIGURATION:		Elevation	
CANOPY COVERAGE CLASS:		Aspect	
1-Ridge		Slope	
2-Upper slope		Topography	
3-Mid slope		Configuration	
4-Lower slope			
5-Bench or flat			
6-Stream bottom			
1-Convex (dry)	0=Absent	3=25 to 50%	
2-Straight	T=Rare to 1%	4=50 to 75%	
3-Concave (wet)	1=1 to 5%	5=75 to 95%	
4-Undulating	2=5 to 25%	6=95 to 100%	
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6.	Picea glauca	PIGL	white spruce
7.	Pinus albicaulis	PIAL	whitebark pine
8.	Pinus contorta	PICO	lodgepole pine
9.	Pinus flexilis	PIFL	limber pine
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11.	Pinus ponderosa	PIPO	ponderosa pine
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3.	Berberis repens	BERE	creeping Oregon grape
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5.	Holodiscus discolor	HODI	ocean spray
6.	Juniperus communis (+ horizontalis)	JUCO	common (+ creeping) juniper
7.	Ledum glandulosum	LEGL	Labrador tea
8.	Linnaea borealis	LIBO	twinline
9.	Menziesia ferruginea	MEFE	menziesia
10.	Oplopanax horridum	OPHO	devil's club
11.	Physocarpus malvaceus	PHMA	ninebark
12.	Prunus virginiana	PRVI	chokecherry
13.	Purshia tridentata	PUTR	bitterbrush
14.	Ribes montigenum	RIMO	mountain gooseberry
15.	Shepherdia canadensis	SHCA	buffaloberry
16.	Spiraea betulifolia	SPBE	white spiraea
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18.	Symphoricarpos oreophilus	SYOR	mountain snowberry
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20.	Vaccinium globulare (+ membranaceum)	VAGL	blue huckleberry
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2.	Andropogon spp.	AND	bluestem
3.	Calamagrostis canadensis	CACA	bluejoint
4.	Calamagrostis rubescens	CARU	pinegrass
5.	Carex geyeri	CAGE	elk sedge
6.	Festuca idahoensis	FEID	Idaho fescue
7.	Festuca scabrella	FESC	rough fescue
8.	Luzula hitchcockii (= glabrata)	LUHI	wood-rush
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3.	Aralia nudicaulis	ARNU	wild sarsaparilla
4.	Arnica cordifolia	ARCO	heartleaf arnica
5.	Athyrium filix-femina	ATFI	lady fern
6.	Balsamorhiza sagittata	BASA	arrowleaf balsamroot
7.	Clematis pseudoalpina (+ tenuiloba)	CLPS	virgin's bower
8.	Clintonia uniflora	CLUN	queencup beardless
9.	Equisetum arvense	EQAR	common horsetail
10.	Equisetum spp.	EQU	horsetails & scouring rush
11.	Galium triflorum	GATR	sweetscented bedstraw
12.	Gymnocarpium dryopteris	GYDR	oak fern
13.	Senecio streptanthifolius	SEST	cleft-leaf groundsel
14.	Senecio triangularis	SETR	arrowleaf groundsel
15.	Smilacina stellata	SMST	starry Solomon's seal
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ME <u>D.O.N.</u>				DATE <u>7/14/78</u> <u>7/15/78</u>			
(CODE DESCRIPTION)				Plot No. <u>20</u> <u>21</u> <u>22</u>			
HORIZONTAL				Location <u>517</u> <u>532</u> <u>535</u>			
TOPOGRAPHY:				T, R, S <u>R</u> <u>W</u> <u>W</u>			
1-Ridge				Elevation <u>7840</u> <u>5620</u> <u>5880</u>			
2-Upper slope				Aspect <u>NE</u> <u>W</u> <u>NW</u>			
3-Mid slope				Slope <u>30</u> <u>25</u> <u>40</u>			
4-Lower slope				Topography <u>3</u> <u>1</u> <u>2</u>			
5-Bench or flat				Configuration <u>3</u> <u>1</u> <u>2</u>			
6-Stream bottom							
CONFIGURATION:							
1-Convex (dry)							
2-Straight							
3-Concave (wet)							
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8.	Pinus contorta	PTCO	lodgepole pine				
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5.	Holodiscus discolor	HODI	ocean spray				
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7.	Ledum glandulosum	LEGL	Labrador tea				
8.	Linnaea borealis	LIBO	twinklflower				
9.	Menziesia ferruginea	MEFE	menziesia				
10.	Oplopanax horridum	OPHO	devil's club				
11.	Physocarpus malvaceus	PHMA	ninebark				
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ME <u>H. Holdorf, AL MARTINSON</u>		DATE <u>7/16/78</u>		<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>25</u>
(CODE DESCRIPTION)		Plot No.	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>			
HORIZONTAL		Location					
TOPOGRAPHY:		T, R, S	<u>S27, 19N, E12W, S5-T8N-12W</u>				
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2-Upper slope		Aspect	<u>S</u>	<u>E</u>			
3-Mid slope		Slope	<u>45</u>	<u>30°/2</u>			
4-Lower slope		Topography	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>			
5-Bench or flat		Configuration	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>			
6-Stream bottom							
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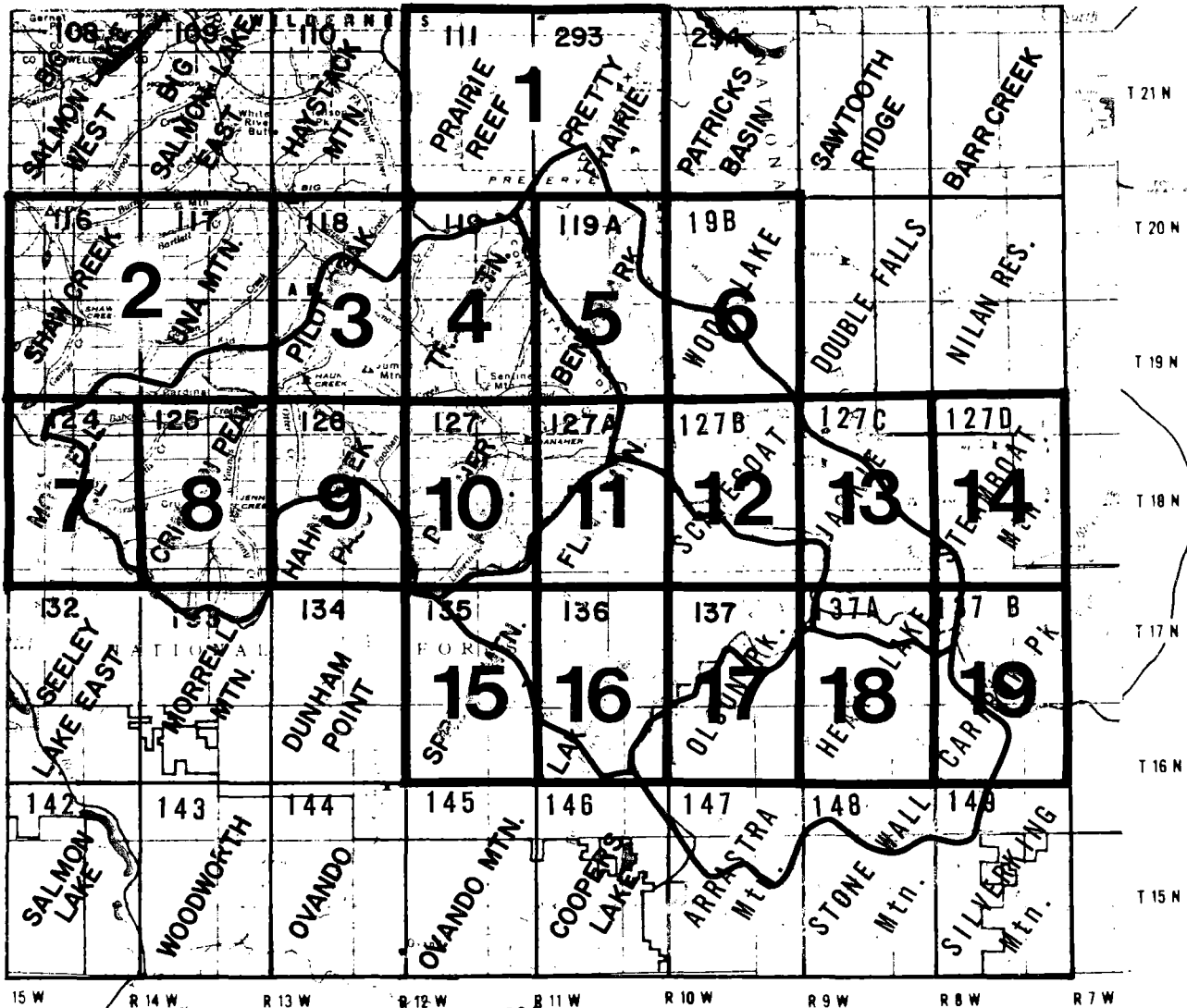
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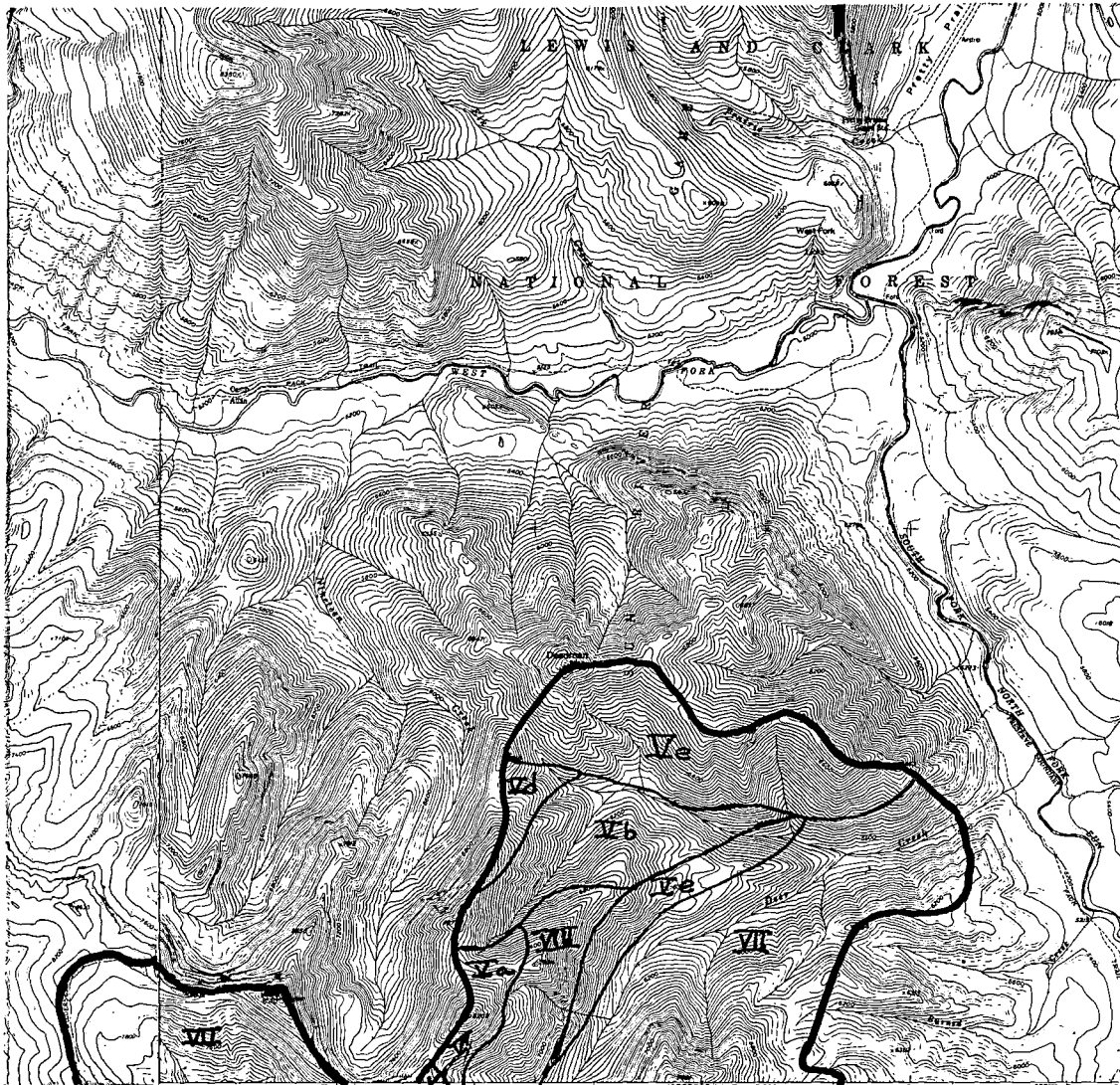
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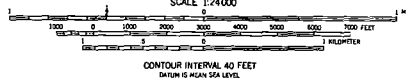


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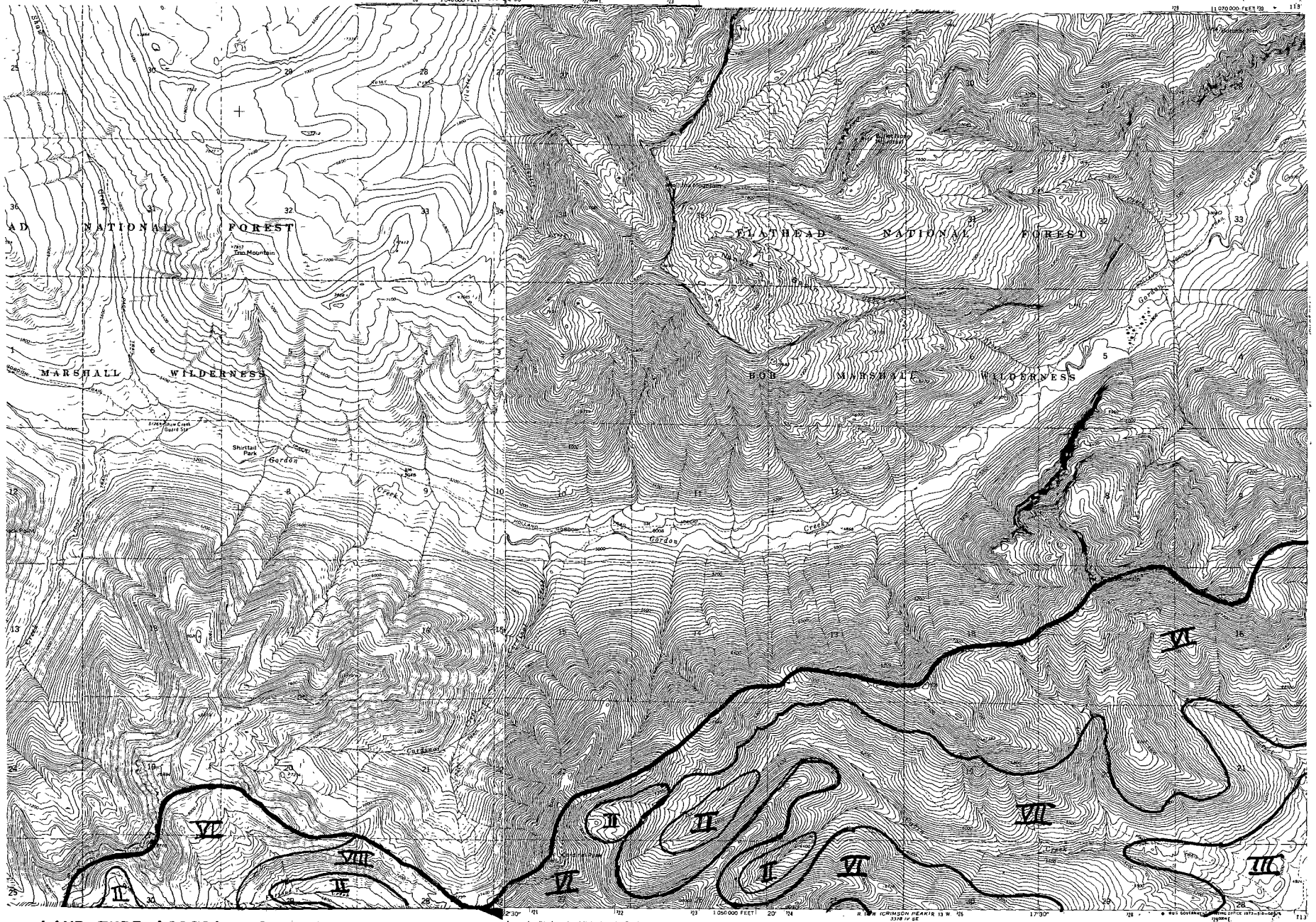
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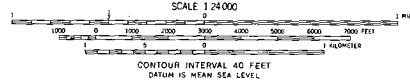
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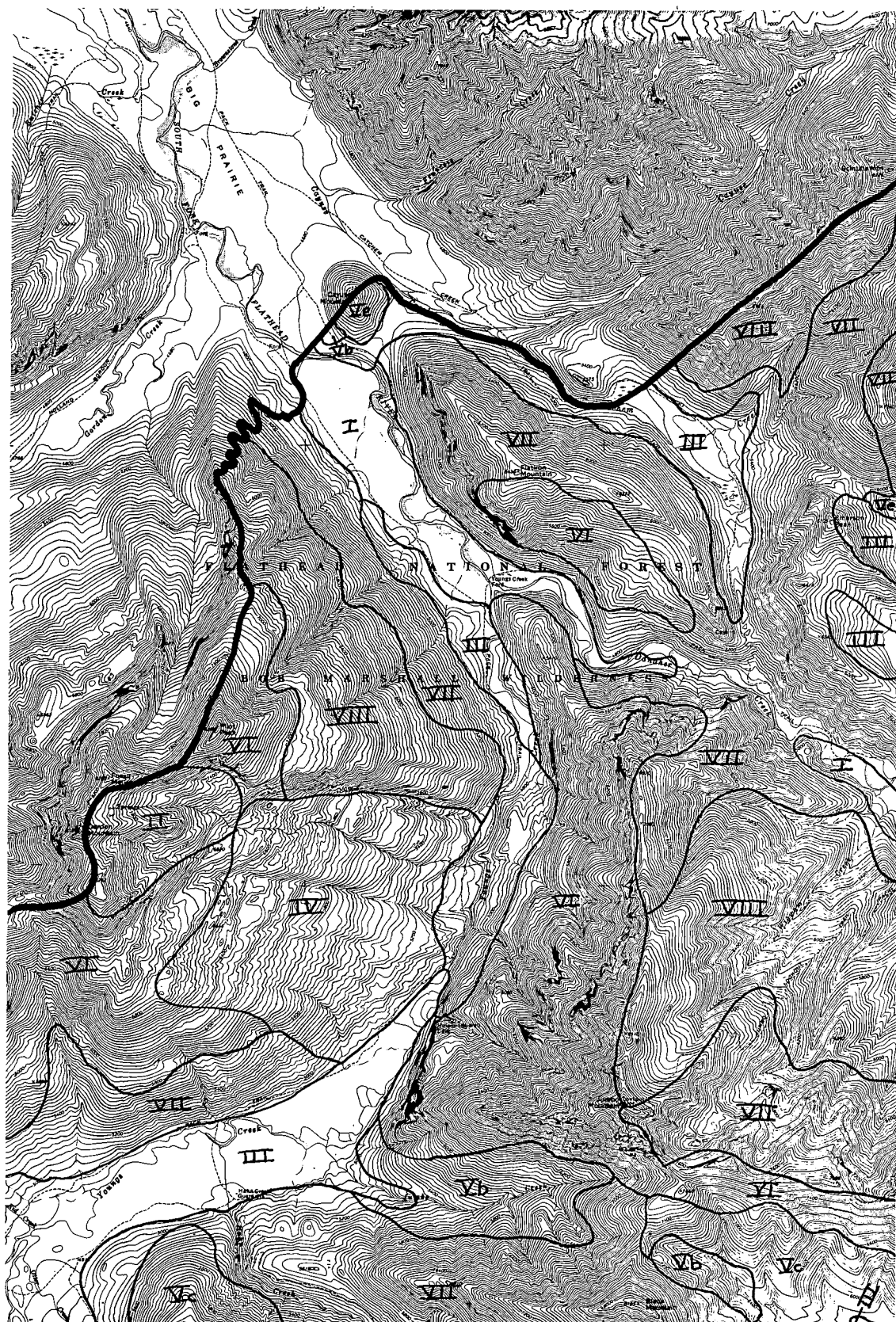
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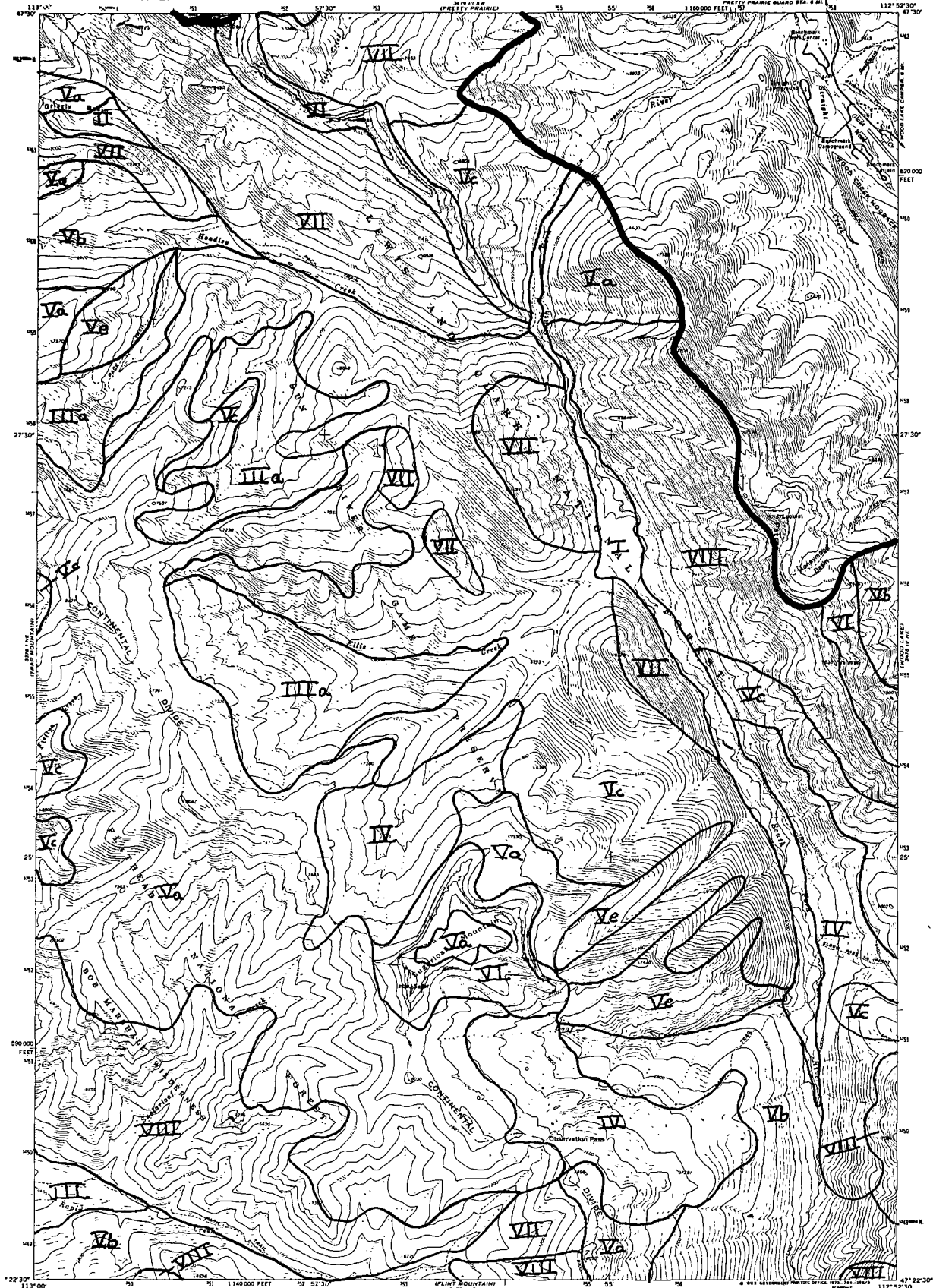
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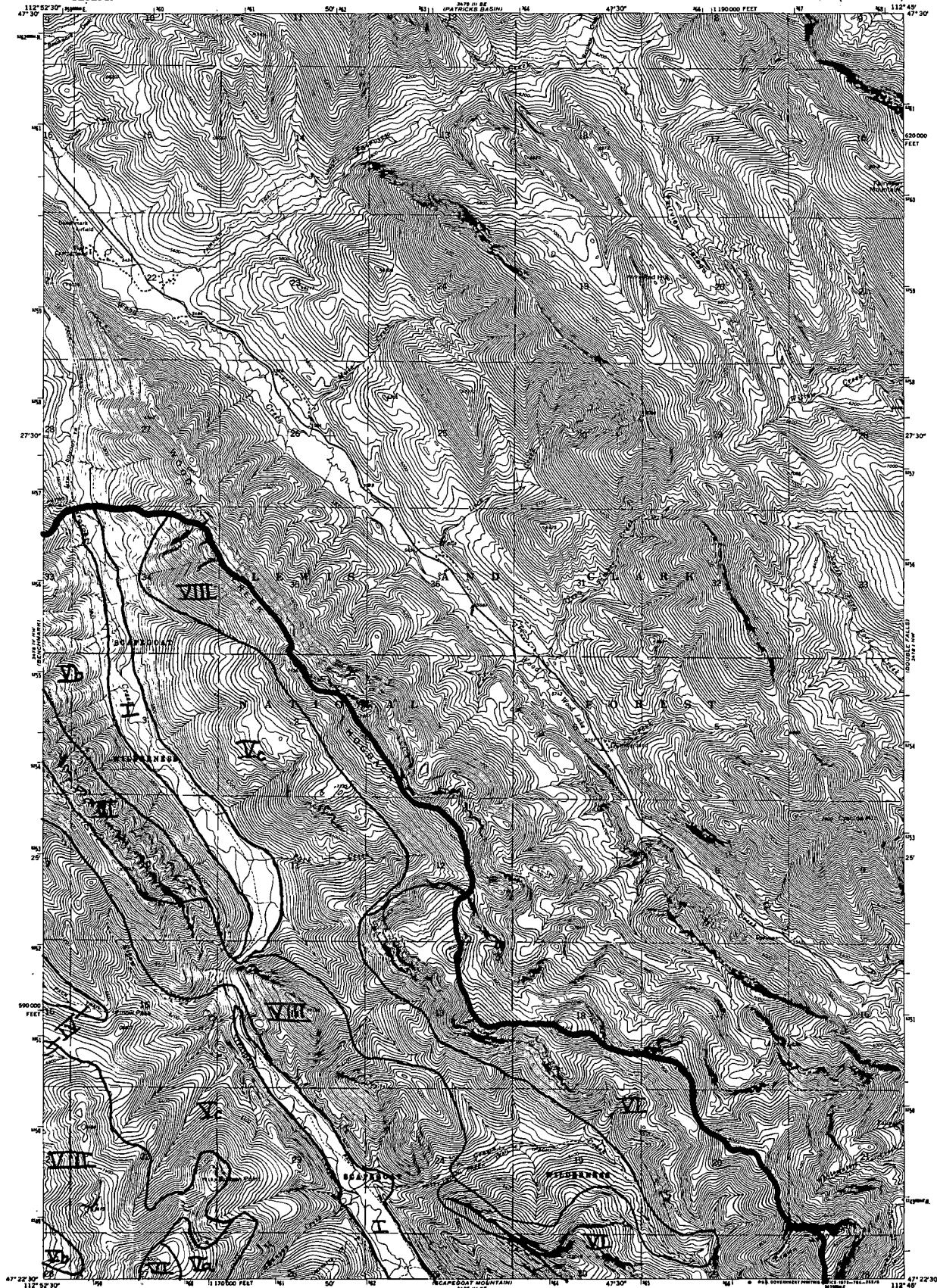
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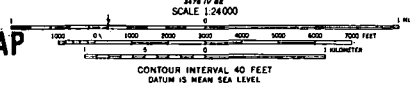
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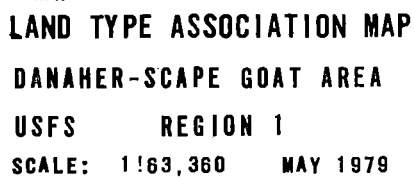


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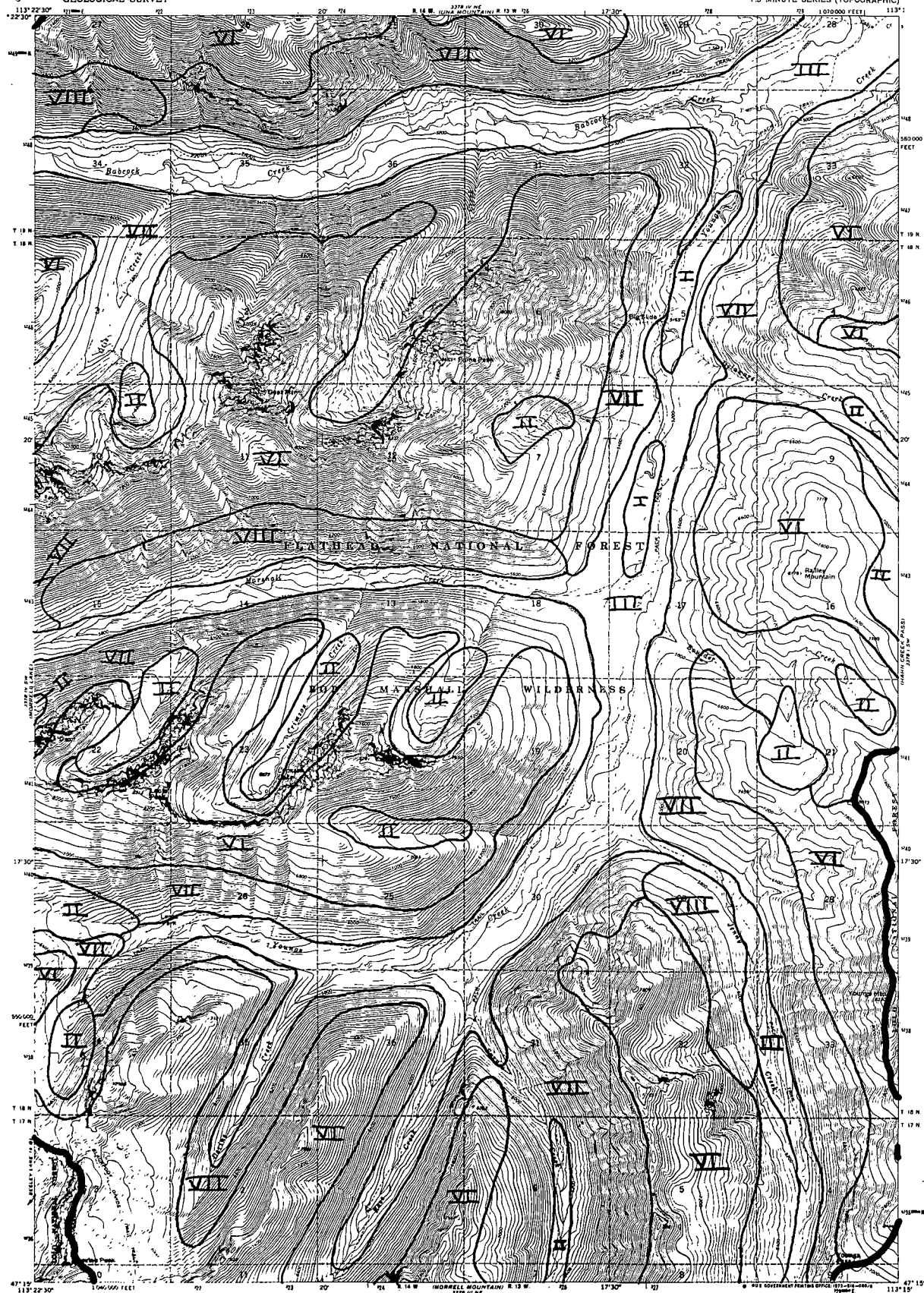
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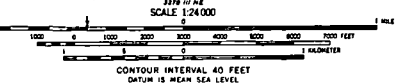


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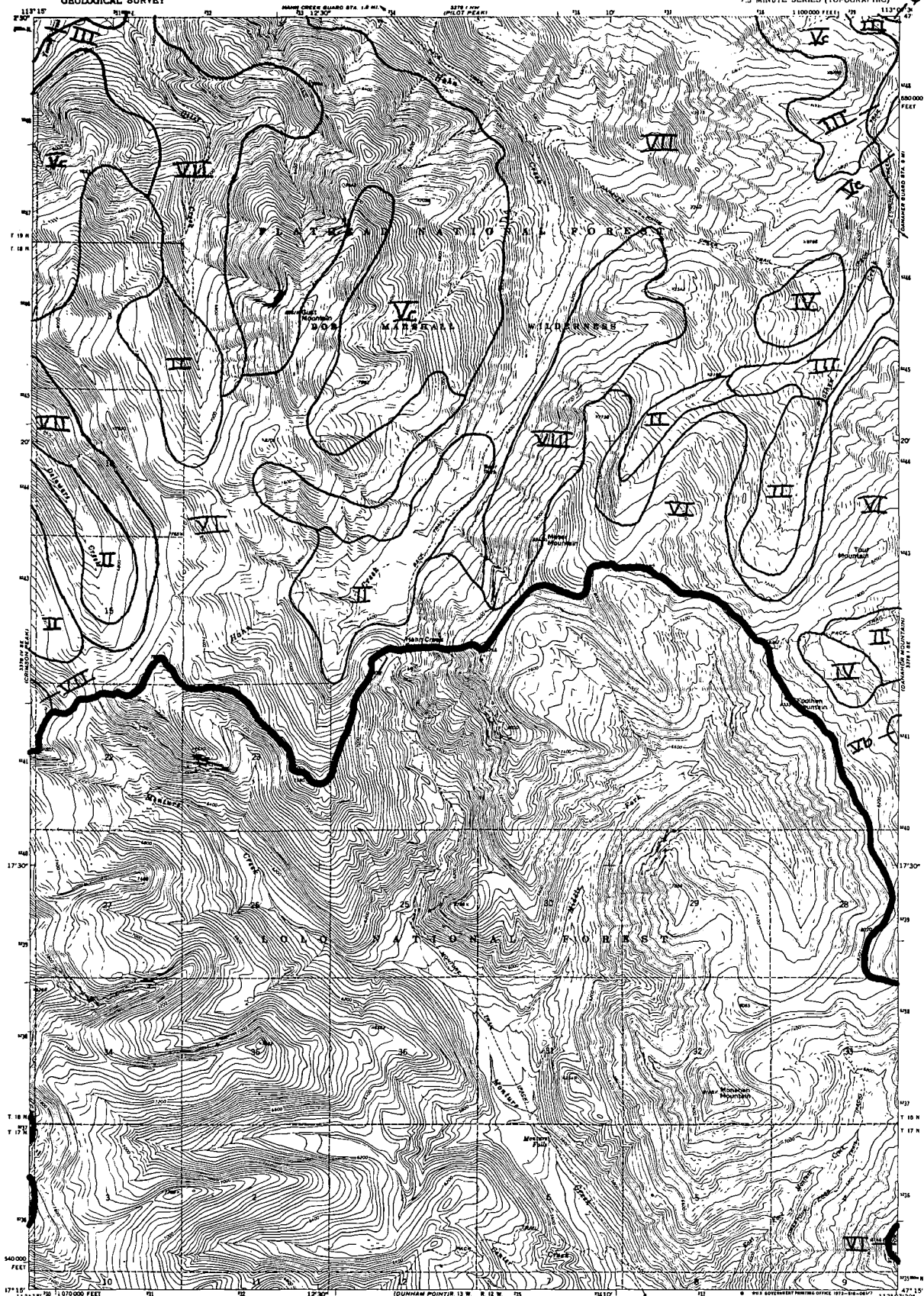
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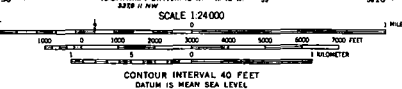


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HAHN CREEK PASS,



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DANAHER MOUNTAIN  
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
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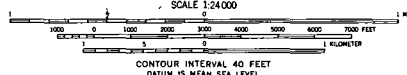
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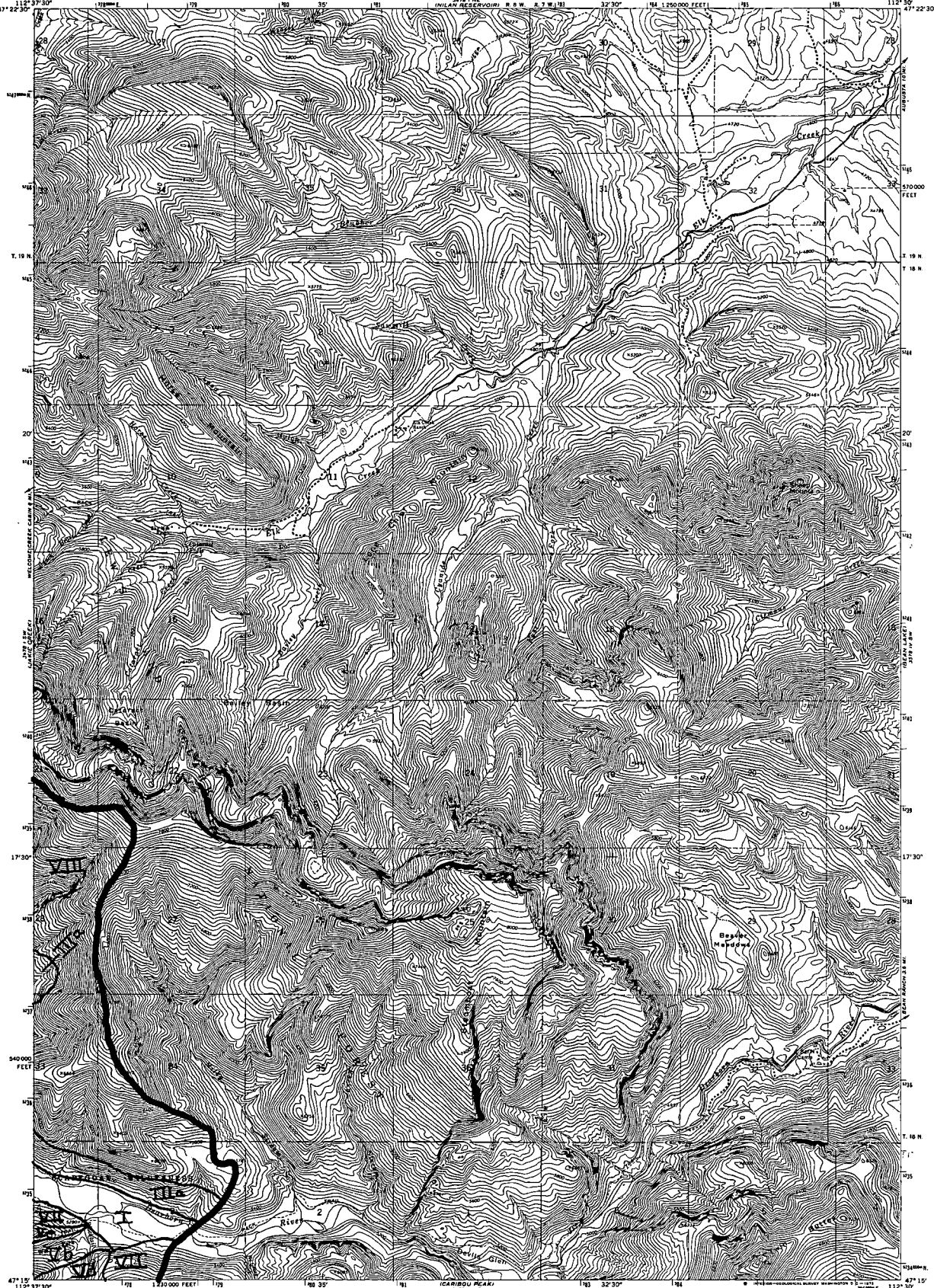
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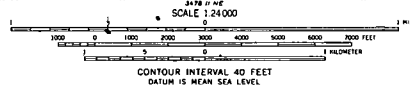
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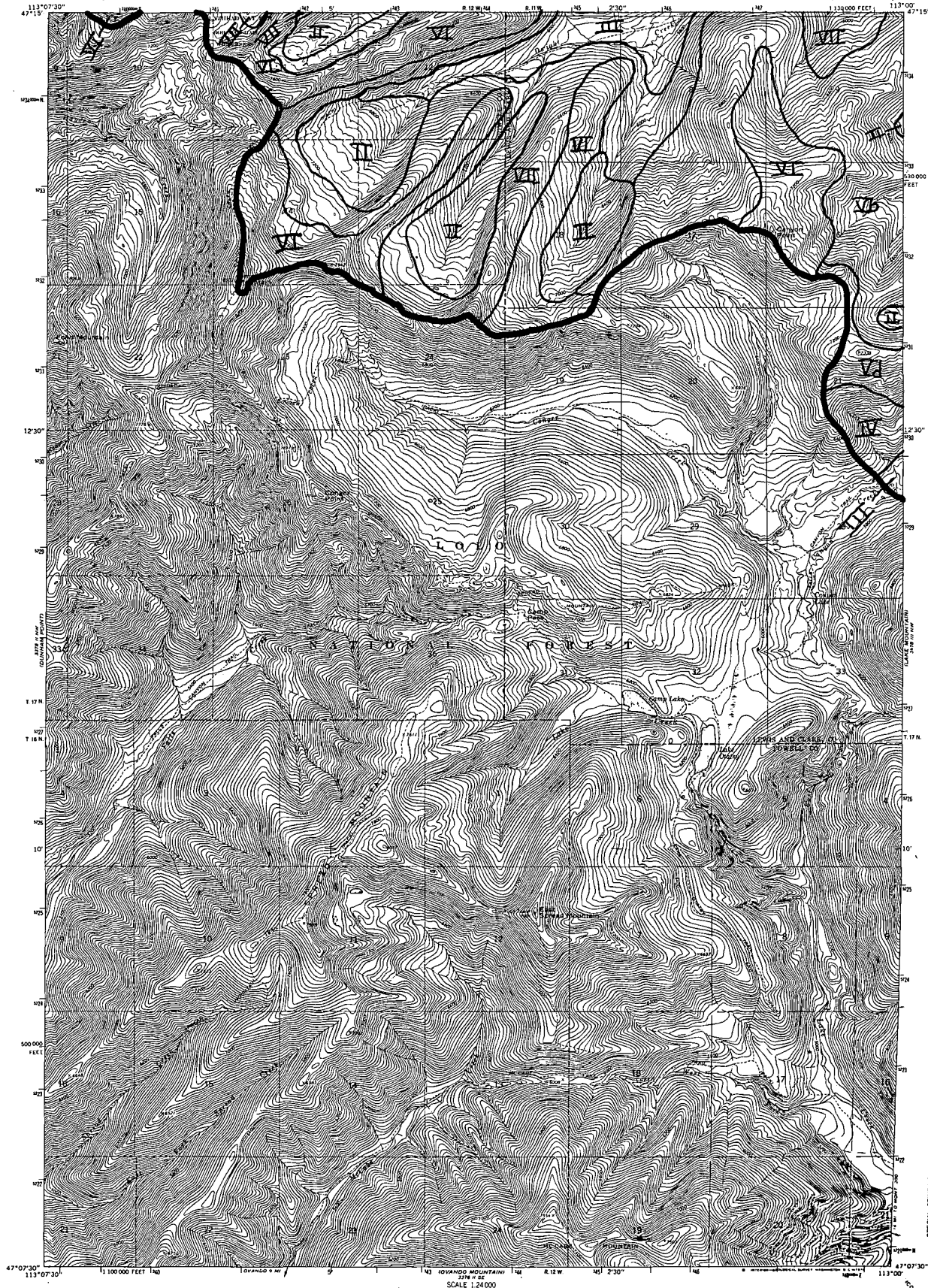




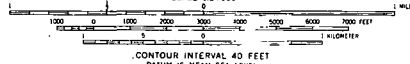
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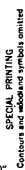


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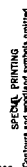
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION

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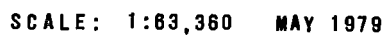
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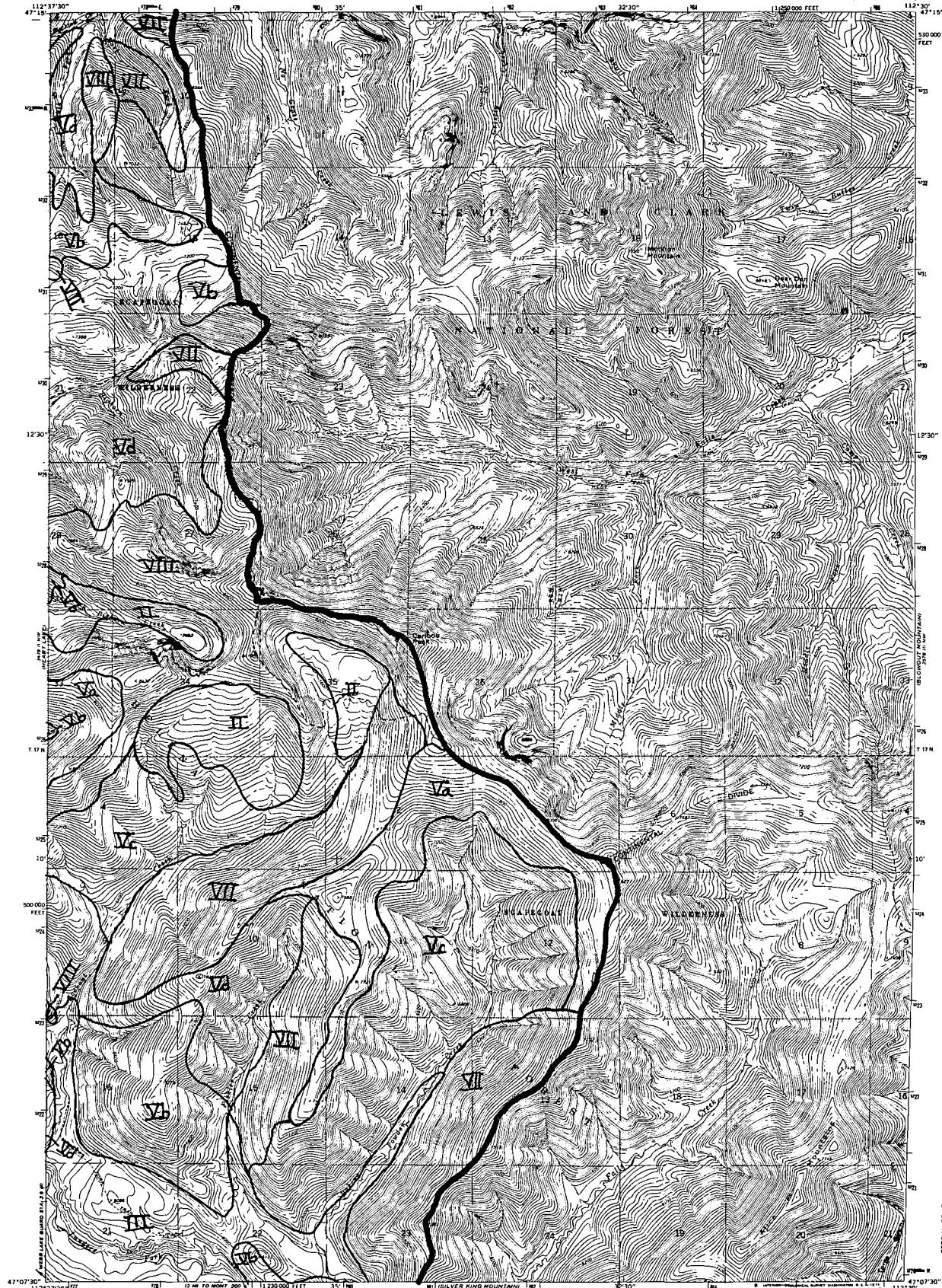
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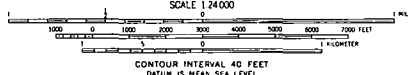


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IN MEMORY OF DANNY ON  
May 11, 1924 to January 21, 1979

Silviculturist - Photographer - Friend



Danny On participated in the field inventory documenting and describing the vegetation and habitat types portion of the mapping units. Danny completed his hand-written report "Fire Behavior by Habitat Types and the Related Effects" on his last working day prior to his accidental death.

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